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# **I Keep Dreaming of Danger, Death, the Deceased and Life After Death**

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Since mid-November 2020 I have noticed a strange change in my dreams. My dreams have been dominated by themes of danger, death, the deceased and life after death. I will describe particular dreams I have had in such categories. The descriptions are based on notes I took on a notepad I keep next to my bed. My habit is to write down on a notepad descriptions of dreams I remember, not turning on the light to do such writing.

## **Danger**

The danger dreams are usually nightmares in which I seem to be facing great peril or risk of death, although some involve other people in peril. Many of the dreams involve a blockage motif that may symbolize a health danger such as an artery blockage. Since mid-November 2020 these have included the following:

- I had a dream I was packing to leave, running away from a military invasion of my country.
- I had a dream of being in a backyard, and seeing a flaming plane crash near me.
- I had a dream of fleeing a monster that was behind a door.
- I dreamed of a fire spreading from a gas station to an adjacent house.
- I dreamed of encountering growling lions inside a house in which I had been invited.
- I dreamed I was running to find a hospital because of some medical problem.
- I dreamed I was watching heart surgery be performed.
- I dreamed I was stuck on the top of a speeding tractor-trailer, shouting for the driver to stop.
- I dreamed I was guarding a party of some guy with enemies, and holding closed a door which someone (apparently a killer) was trying very hard to push open; and the door was slowly opening.
- I dreamed I saw a scary figure lurking in my back yard at night.
- I dreamed someone said I looked horrible, and so I looked in a mirror, seeing my skin discolored.
- I had a dream I was packing up things, preparing to go to a hospital (one of quite a few "packing up for travel" dreams or "gathering up stuff for travel" dreams I have recently had, including quite a few not mentioned here).
- I dreamed a tenant (?) was asking me for the phone number to call the National Guard, presumably because of some great danger.
- I dreamed of inanimate objects moving around on the floor as if some great earthquake was occurring.

- I dreamed someone warned me not to go down some path, saying that was "the wolf way."
- I dreamed I fell off the top of a tall building, and was dangling near the top of it.
- I dreamed of people on a pier that collapsed.
- I had a dream driving in Manhattan, trying to reach a bridge to escape some unspecified danger.
- I dreamed someone sneezed near me, causing me to reach for some Lysol to use to reduce the danger.
- I had a dream of some men swimming down a river to escape some danger.
- I dreamed of getting a big bill at a hospital.
- I dreamed I saw people on the street running with scared faces, as if they fleeing some unseen danger behind them.
- I dreamed I was a night watchman at a building invaded by robbers armed with weapons.
- I dreamed men were falling down a kind of hill-like surface with lots of rocks moving with them, in some event resembling a rock slide,
- I dreamed about someone selling pesticides putting children in danger.
- I dreamed I had major surgery, and was asked by a nurse later whether I wanted to sleep 10 hours a day while recovering, or for much longer.
- I dreamed the police offered me a dangerous job in which I would be jumping between buildings.
- I dreamed that in some biology "live sample" test I was taking, one of the animals was a very large spider that bit me.
- I dreamed a man was pointing to his heart to signal to a police car that he was having a heart attack.
- I had a dream I was in a house in which someone discussed some apocalyptic event coming. I opened the door, and saw the sky was filled with round objects: maybe meteors or invading spaceships. A woman approached my house's door, surrounded by big cats like leopards or tigers. I slammed the door, and tried to keep it closed as I felt someone on the other side trying to thrust the door open.
- I dreamed I was trying to get coffee from a vending machine, but the machine stopped working (such a failure of liquid moving machinery perhaps suggesting some risk of bodily death by a heart problem interrupting the body's liquid moving machinery).
- I dreamed I was trying to park my car in a garage, but all of the available spaces were blocked off by yellow tape. This "yellow blockage" dream may have suggested the artery

blockage that can cause sudden death (such blockage involves plaque that is yellow-colored).

•I dreamed I was being pursued by a large motorcycle gang, and that I escaped them by hiding in a kind of natural crevice.

•I dreamed someone stabbed me in the back with a syringe.

•I dreamed a plumber was dealing with a severe sink clog, saying it might require a specialist in such clogs (a possible veiled reference to an artery blockage that might imperil a person).

Similarly, in another dream a person trying to sell her house confessed there was some plumbing problem, causing me to ask, "Why didn't you bring in a plumber to fix this?"

•I dreamed that I was told to check out some intersection in which the pathway was blocked by snow. After checking it out, I said something like, "There's not much you can do, other than hiring someone to keep shoveling at that spot." Later on the same night I had basically the same dream a second time. Me and two other people were looking at a computer screen showing a snow blockage at one little spot. Asked why there was so much snow there, I speculated that maybe the spot was at the bottom of a high road, resulting in a pileup of snow at that bottom. Both dreams may be a symbolic reference to an artery blockage that might endanger someone. Artery plaque gradually piles up rather like snow piling up. Such a "blockage" theme seemed to have also occurred in a dream in which I was trying to cook in a kitchen where movement was blocked by many washing machines, causing me to say, "It's ridiculous how many washing machines are in this kitchen."

•Yet another "blockage" theme occurred in a dream I which I was driving but had my path blocked by large blackish pools of water, which I had to drive through.

•Still another "blockage" dream in which I was trying to get to work, but had my path dangerously blocked by what looked like a fallen steel beam or electrical pole.

•Still another "blockage" dream in which I was trying to move down a very narrow stairway and had my path blocked by a very slow-moving handicapped person.

•Still another "blockage" dream in which I was trying to get something from an office room, but my path was blocked by all kinds of clutter on the floor.

•I dreamed that I drove my car onto a road with many fast-moving cars, and immediately did a U-turn on that road, temporarily blocking the road in a dangerous way.

•I dreamed one of my daughters said, "There's a wolf at the door."

•I dreamed of some electronic control screen, and someone saying that a launched nuclear missile can't be recalled.

- I dreamed that some person had intruded into my hotel room while I was sleeping at night, and I was yelling in a scared voice, "Who is it? Who is it?"
- I dreamed there was something blocking the road I was driving on, forcing me to quickly pull over to the side of the road (one of very many dreams I have had in recent months with a theme of blockage).
- I dreamed I was being attacked by a snake.
- I dreamed I was a soldier in a war, using a sniper rifle against enemy soldiers I faced. Suddenly I noticed that an enemy soldier had set up a Gatling gun facing me, about 20 feet away. A Gatling gun is a very fast-firing machine gun capable of killing a squad of 10 soldiers in only a few seconds. I tried to use my rifle against the gun, but it was out of ammunition. So I raised my pistol to protect myself, but I could not fire. Maybe I was frozen in fear.
- I dreamed that some crooks had got into my home and placed a big machine gun near the front door. I locked the door to a bedroom, and tried to call the police. There was no answer. In the dream's next scene, I was outdoors watching some road, hoping to spot some police car and then wave my arms to attract attention. One of the crooks came up next to me, and made threatening comments. I then started to fight him, but awoke before he could kill me in the dream.
- I dreamed that I was in an office tower that had some kind of catastrophic blockage in its stairway. It was the like the catastrophic stairway blockage that occurred during the September 11 attacks on the World Trade Center.
- I dreamed there was some talk about a kidney problem in someone.
- I dreamed some bad men came into where I was working, trying to kidnap me. I fled. Then there was a scene in which I lying on the ground motionless in a darkish hall as one of the bad guys walked by. In great danger, I was hoping he would not notice me.
- I dreamed that on some snow-filled natural landscape there was a gigantic procession of hundreds of brown bears (possibly grizzly bears) moving right by me, in about four long columns. Plainly in their sight, I was calmly counting them, oblivious to the enormous danger I was in.
- I dreamed I was a spy on a dangerous spy mission. At the end of the dream I had to suddenly escape people around me, by carjacking an SUV and driving it very perilously up a very steep hill.
- I dreamed I was in some frigid environment like the Arctic. I was at the front of a line of people walking in the snow. I said that the path ahead was too dangerous, that I alone would continue to walk forward, and that everyone else should turn back.

- Having another of countless dreams I have had in recent months of being on a bus, I dreamed I was on a bus, and a man behind me coughed, causing me to move away, closer to the front of the bus. Then former US president Jimmy Carter sat next to me on the bus. The bus may have represented a passage to some afterlife. Since Carter is 96 and has health problems, the dream of him being next to me on the bus may be an ominous omen, perhaps hinting that I will die around the same time he dies.
- In a dream I saw of kind of satellite view of the United States, showing it covered with smoke. Then in my dream I was telling my wife that all the running water no longer worked, and that we had to find some lake for fresh water. The failure of running water systems may have symbolized the stopping of blood circulation in a single person.
- I dreamed I was in a car levitating motionlessly about 40 meters above some body of water. I was wondering whether I would be killed if I jumped out and fell into the water.
- I had a dream that I had stumbled upon some plot by bad guys to make an atomic bomb.
- I dreamed I was in some house in which a lion was roaming about. I thought, "I've got to get out of this place; it's too dangerous."
- I had a vivid dream that large metal chunks were falling from the World Trade Center, putting me in danger. I told someone, "The World Trade Center is falling apart!".
- I dreamed a cab driver driving me was driving at dangerous reckless speeds.
- I dreamed I was on top of a geological structure about 100 meters tall and only about 15 meters wide, with the shape of a loaf of French bread. I was trying to make a very risky climb down the structure.
- I dreamed that some doctor was performing heart surgery on me.
- I dreamed there was an enraged man with a gun trying to push open the front door of my apartment. I was on the other side of the door, trying to stop him from coming in. I called 911, but there was no response. Then in the dream I desperately tried to plunge a can opener into the man's neck to stop him from killing me.
- I dreamed the Nazis were chasing Jews in the Soviet Union, and later in the dream I saw two captured girls being taken in a Nazi train, presumably towards death.
- I dreamed there was a fierce battle between two sides using rocket launchers. To escape the danger I jumped from an overpass to land on top of a passing truck.
- I dreamed that I was attacked by a spooky Miss A-Scare-Ica that emerged from a mist.
- I dreamed of a man who suffered a bloody neck injury.
- I dreamed there was a carnivorous dinosaur (about two meters high) outside of my house. I closed the door so the creature could not get in.

- I dreamed that I woke up and found someone trying to strangle me.
- I dreamed that I was trying to dive very deep in water to save a boy who had gone down way too deep underwater.
- I dreamed I was in water, spinning around rapidly, like some particle about to be sucked down a drain.
- I dreamed a man collapsed to the floor. I asked him whether he felt dizzy before the collapse, and he said he did. I then told him I thought it was some kind of heart trouble.
- I dreamed I was facing a gang of about five bad guys, and we all had guns. I kept shouting to them to drop their weapons, and someone starting firing.
- I dreamed my hands were hanging on to the top of a 30-meter-tall brick wall, with me being in great peril of falling to my death.
- I had a terrifying dream that some werewolf was threatening a house I lived in. I was saying that a flamethrower was needed for protection.
- I dreamed that a tiger was dashing towards me, and that I fired a gun at it, trying to stop it from killing me.
- I dreamed that I was in some hovering vehicle (either a helicopter or a hot air balloon), and that I saw nearby someone with a rocket launcher aimed at my vehicle.
- I dreamed that three men were underwater, outside a submarine, without scuba gear. They were desperately trying to get inside some entry hole in the submarine, before they drowned.
- I dreamed there were nuclear missile launch codes on the little table near my bed.
- I had a dream with a chilling reference to being made homeless by an atomic attack.
- I had a dream on May 20, 2022 of a crash at the Daytona International Speedway.
- I had a dream some people were running in the middle of a busy lane on a highway.
- I had a dream that I was attacked while riding a bike.
- I had a dream I was on a mountain road, and saw a mountain lion ahead of me. Running away in the other direction, I saw coming toward me a lion.

### **Death (Direct References)**

Since mid-November 2020 I have had these dreams (among others) that seemed to explicitly reference death:

- I had a dream in which I saw a tombstone.
- I had a dream in which I said, "This is like some scene in a mafia movie in which someone gets killed."
- I had a dream of someone being sucked out of a hole in an airplane (a visual that seems to symbolize the idea of sudden death).

- I had a dream about getting benefits in case of death.
- I had a dream in which there was some statement like "they thought their child was dead, but he was only taken away."
- I had a dream in which I took a newsletter (?) with someone's name printed on the address part, and someone said, "You're stealing that from a dead man."
- I dreamed of a man shot repeatedly in the neck, which presumably would have killed him.
- I had a dream in which I was telling my wife and children how my assets would be distributed when I die.
- I had a dream of a book store that posted a notice saying that an author had died.
- I dreamed I was in a train car divided into about 10 sections, each of which was filled with dirt and a shovel -- a kind of "train of graves" dream.
- I dreamed a dead mother was in a coffin, and I was wondering whether the coffin should be buried immediately, or whether I should seek out the mother's son to notify him first.
- I dreamed there was a detective investigating some murder.
- I dreamed of some military action in which a soldier was killed by being shot.
- I dreamed I visited a woman who had many pets, one of them being a dog my family once owned before it died. After a vivid dream experience petting the dog's back, I said, "This old dog will die soon." But the dog looked young and very healthy, and I wonder whether those words were a veiled reference to a human dying soon.
- I dreamed I saw a truck run over a man on the highway, apparently killing him.
- I dreamed that people were throwing flowers upon something that would become a funeral pyre once it was lit.
- I dreamed that some family members were being told someone in their family had died.
- I dreamed that the late actor and celebrity Orson Bean said to me something like, "I've heard that you're having lots of dreams about death?" I answered "Yes," and he then said something like, "Well, when it's your time, it's your time," echoing a Shakespeare line in which Julius Caesar says death "will come when it will come."
- I dreamed I saw some "teaser clip" talking about a soon-to-be-shown TV news segment talking about some near-death experience in a place called Sominem.
- I dreamed I was watching some TV show in which someone was talking about a murder.
- I had a dream in which somebody's throat was cut, in a seemingly fatal blow.
- I had a dream that a woman, aged 66, gave a vocal performance at some little place, seemingly her first vocal performance in quite a while. Then with a smile she said, "My life has

been a miracle," and then a second later she collapsed to the ground, apparently dying.

(See [here](#) for a rationale for suspecting that every human life is essentially a miracle.)

• I had a dream that someone knocked on my door late at night and told me that I might be inheriting some money when a person died.

• I had a dream in which two men died by gunfire.

• I had a dream in which a rabbit died and was buried.

• I had a vivid dream in which some aircraft crashed into the top of one or more tall buildings in Manhattan, creating some large-scale fatal catastrophe that seemed to cause a kind of "falling dominoes" effect. I looked up and saw much falling debris. Then a kind of bell-shaped structure fell on me. Later my wife found me under this structure (I'm not sure whether dead or alive). There is a possible "surviving the fatal catastrophe" motif here which might symbolize life after death.

• I dreamed there was some smartphone app that allowed you to specify a video to be played when you die. This is actually a decent idea for a product. We can imagine such an app being linked to a fitness tracking watch, and the video (perhaps one in which you say goodbye to your loved ones) might play in an endless loop when the fitness tracking watch detects five minutes of no pulse.

• I had a dream in which someone was shot in the back at close range.

• I had a dream some people were killed because they knew some secret that someone else didn't want anyone to reveal.

• I had a dream in which someone was singing about some man dying of cancer.

• I dreamed that at work someone asked for a computer password, and I gave it to him, thinking something like, "It's good for him to have it, in case I die."

• I had a dream of a sudden attack on the White House, with attackers being blocked at the entrance by defenders, and with lots of gunfire and dead attackers and dead defenders at the entrance. The dream had a theme of "sudden death and blockage" that may have hinted at sudden death caused by an artery blockage.

• I had a dream that a man was walking up a few steps to the top of a platform where he would be executed. Below him an executioner held a pole with a half-circular blade on its end, and was kind of taunting the man by stabbing the execution weapon a little to the right of him, to scare him before killing him.

• I had a dream in which I had a kind of bird's eye view of a battle. Trapped in what looked like kind of a canyon, a big bunch of soldiers was blocked on one side by a long line of enemy tanks, and also blocked on the opposite side by a long line of enemy tanks. The tanks began

firing, and there was massive sudden death. It was a "death after blockage" dream that may have symbolized sudden death by artery blockage. On the same day (May 4, 2021) there was a mysterious power failure in my apartment, occurring about 9:01 AM, and lasting only a few minutes, an outage that seems to have occurred [only in my apartment](#).

- I dreamed two men were boxing, not very vigorously. One punched the other not very hard on the chest, and the punched man suddenly died. The dream seemed to symbolize sudden death by heart attack.
- I dreamed I saw an alligator near me, and picked it up by its tail, spinning it around before tossing it at some ice. In my dream this effort was unable to kill the alligator, who then devoured someone.
- I dreamed there were two people dressed in what looked like plague gear, who were in the middle of a train track carrying two dead bodies that were all wrapped up in tarpulins. Besides a theme of death, this dream was yet another recurrence of the "pathway blockage" motif I have got so often.
- I had a dream using the phrase "lethal agent."
- I had a dream of someone on a hill firing a missile at a ship at sea, causing its fiery destruction.
- I dreamed of someone describing how he found a dead body in a bed.
- I dreamed that two children had died.
- I dreamed that a very famous living politician died after being hit by a truck.
- I dreamed that I saw a mouse in my home, and I killed the mouse with a hammer. But while hammering the mouse I felt ashamed, because I got the weird feeling that the mouse had somehow changed to become like a little child. The dream is consistent with ideas that the release of a soul from the body gives rise to a higher mentality, the mind of a child being higher than the mind of a mouse.
- I dreamed that there had been a mob murder in a room, and that the mob crew was cleaning up evidence of the crime.
- I had a dream in which someone was talking about people being killed on the subway.
- I had a dream in which two men were struggling on the edge of a cliff. One of the men used a short sword or long knife to stab the other man in the heart, killing him.
- I dreamed that some person had killed someone during a symphony performance. Later the murderer was killed by a cannon ball.
- I dreamed that I was renewing my passport, and somebody said something about a date in 2022. In the dream I thought to myself, "By then I'll be dead."

- I dreamed that soldiers on a high hill were firing artillery on enemy soldiers attacking from another high hill, and that such artillery was killing many of the attacking soldiers.
- I dreamed that I was falling down an extremely steep mountain, in a fall that seemed extremely life-threatening.
- I dreamed of a song lyric of "you might as well be dead."
- I dreamed some man shot at a woman behind him, killing her.
- I dreamed of video-game action in which the player is exposed to constant close calls with death.
- I dreamed that I was renting a room in some old Victorian-style house. On one of its windows was some sign saying "Somebody died here."
- I dreamed that some bear bit my hand. Then someone shot the bear in the head to save me.
- I dreamed that some terrorist group was killing people, and someone was speaking about this in worried manner. Referring to that person, someone else said, "It's like in a horror movie -- he'll be the next to die."
- I dreamed that a policeman shot some terrorist in the neck, apparently killing him.
- I dreamed that some family was very sad during a trip or vacation, because one of the children had died.
- I dreamed that I fired a depth charge to blow up a submarine under the water.
- I dreamed that a man was talking about how some people with an expected long lifetime take out insurance policies not long before they die, as if they sensed that death was not far away.
- I dreamed that I spoke to a wife who was cheerfully saying something speculative about how her husband might die.
- I dreamed I was using a big artillery piece (like the German 88 millimeter gun) to destroy a war plane attacking my position.
- I dreamed there was some school where 1000 children died. The dream involved something about a bomb.
- I dreamed of a fiery train crash at high speed, a type which would have killed many people.
- I dreamed there was a dead body at a mall that people seemed to be ignoring.
- I dreamed that one of the *Star Wars* actors was saying, "This is where we buried his body."
- I had a dream I arrived at some place with many seats (almost all empty), a place resembling a church or auditorium. I said "I'm here for the Mahin funeral," using my last name.
- There was a reference in one of my dreams to "fatal gene expression."
- I had a dream in which some article was saying a movie should not be shown, because it would provoke a Far East nation to kill people.

- I dreamed that policemen killed two criminals.
- I dreamed that some tiny wooden building had a sign in it noting that someone had suddenly died in the small structure.
- I dreamed I was in a row boat, trying to bury at sea a dog's dead body.
- I dreamed a man lying on a bed was being hit in the head many times by a steel sledgehammer held by another man.
- I dreamed that some writer had died.
- I dreamed I was carrying a coffin through the crowded steps of a church. Later me and others were wondering where to bury the coffin. The phrase "six feet under" came up.
- I dreamed that a group of four or more people were all holding hands, awaiting the explosion of a nuclear bomb which would kill them very soon.
- Strangely, I had a dream in which an announcer was announcing the death of former US president Gerald Ford, which occurred in 2006.
- I had some dream about psychic signs, and some voice was saying that some psychic sign preceded the death of 20,000 people.
- I dreamed that parachuting terrorists were killed by sharpshooters.
- I dreamed that a car driving on the road was machine-gunned by a car on its side, as two other cars blocked any escape.
- I dreamed that a man and a woman were on what the woman thought was a date. Then the topic of a third person came up, and the man told the surprised woman that this person had died, and that their "date" was really attendance at that person's wake.
- I dreamed that a woman was driving me and two other men to a funeral.
- I dreamed that there died some young Japanese woman with long hair and a name something like Yakuchimi Mitsubishi, who was some kind of sports figure.
- Someone was saying that one man had been shot and another killed, and I think these were identified as a major league catcher and shortstop from a particular team I won't mention.
- I dreamed a helicopter burst into flames.
- I dreamed of Lady Macbeth plunging a dagger into her heart.
- I dreamed my father asked me if I was prepared to die. I mentioned that I had prepared some instructions on things that should be done if I die.
- I had a dream of the closing death scene of a famous opera.
- I dreamed I saw a mouse on a glue trap, and I went to get a hammer to kill it.
- I dreamed of a huge mass of dead hornets.

- I dreamed that someone asked whether I had been told to visit the coroner on Thursday.
- I dreamed some soldiers in England were killing terrorists.

### **Death (Indirect References or Possible Symbolic References)**

Many of my dreams since mid-November 2020 have seemed to symbolize death indirectly. A common element has been a "turning off the light" or "loss of power" theme that may symbolize the snuffing out of the physical spark of life. Examples include these:

- I had a dream I was driving a truck and saw my license had expired ("expiration" is a euphemism for death).
- I had a dream someone was on the other side of a door, and upon opening the door I saw a white-faced man collapse (suggesting the idea of sudden death).
- I had a dream of snuffing out a candle.
- I had a dream of getting a slip telling me of a stock liquidation ("liquidation" is a euphemism for death).
- I had a dream of seeing a Christmas tree, and saying that all the lights must be turned off.
- I had a dream I experienced a power failure while in Russia.
- I had a dream in which flies (a symbol of death) were on the ear of a motionless unspeaking head.
- I had a dream in which I was going to buy two big bags of dirt to use to kind of finish up a big soil area in my backyard, a dream rather suggesting the idea of a grave.
- I dreamed of being in a check-out line in some book store; I had a dream of being in a check-out line at a fast-food restaurant; I had two other dreams of being in a check-out line at a grocery store; and I had two dreams of being in a library processing line that used to be called "the check-out line." Then in August I had another dream of being in a cafe check-out line. Later in September I had another dream of being in a check-out line to buy a book. Then in April 2021 I had a dream of being in a library's check-out line, and two other dreams of being in a check-out line in a store. "Checking out" is sometimes used as a slang term for dying.
- I dreamed that I planned to suddenly leave some building I was in, after posting a goodbye note saying, "Gone forever." In the dream's next scene I left by ascending in a helicopter. The leaving of the note saying "gone forever" may symbolize death, and the leaving by helicopter may symbolize the ascent of the soul to some postmortem realm.
- I dreamed that I was bleeding blue blood heavily, and a doctor told me this was a symptom of a viral disease famous for having a very high fatality rate.
- I dreamed that in the middle of the night I was surprised to see a light on in my home, and turned it off.

- I dreamed that mice had been caught on glue traps, making them either dead or near death. On another night I dreamed of two dead mice on glue traps. On another night I had a dream of a larger animal caught on a glue trap. The sticky glue traps could be a symbol for death by arterial plaque, which is sticky.
- I dreamed that a video game I was using suddenly "died on me" and stopped working, something that may symbolize the idea of sudden death.
- I had a dream in which I was in my mother's old house, in the middle of the night when the lights were off. I saw the back of a woman I didn't recognize, looking out a window which provided some light. I asked her a question, and she didn't respond. I used my hands to turn her shoulders so I could look her right in the face. But she had no face -- no eyes, no nose, no mouth. In place of her face was just a formless blackness. Very scared, I asked, "Who are you? *Who are you?*" I then realized I was dreaming, and tried to wake myself up. But it took about 10 seconds to do this, because I had been sleeping very deeply. You could call this a "Lady Death" dream, as the figure seemed to represent death, and resembled some artwork in which death is depicted as a hooded figure whose face is a formless blackness.
- I had a dream of a baseball pitcher throwing the baseball to the first baseman, who tagged out a runner on first base, resulting in his sudden departure from the playing field, in a "pickoff" that can occur as a rather rare surprise in baseball. This may have symbolized the sudden departure of sudden death.
- I dreamed of arriving to see a "Saturday Night Live" taping too late, past the deadline (the "deadline" part perhaps symbolizing death).
- I dreamed I was carrying a painting, and when it started to rain, I raised the painting above my head to block the rain. This dream of an "art raise fluid block" may be a veiled reference to an "arteries fluid block" of the type that might kill someone in a fatal heart attack. On the same day I dreamed of some 3D modeling program (what is called a CAD program) that seemed to be displaying a heart and its parts (CAD is an acronym for both Computer Aided Design and Coronary Artery Disease, a leading cause of death).
- I dreamed I woke up in the middle of the night in a house (on the second floor), and scolded my sister for leaving on so many lights. I went down to the first floor to start turning off lights, but then began writing on some pieces of paper, "losing my place" while I was writing (in the sense of forgetting at which spot I had been writing some narrative). My brother appeared, and asked when I would be done. I said I was almost finished, and told him to start turning off the lights, telling him that by the time all the lights were off I would be finished. The "losing of place" may signify a discontinuity of death. The being "almost finished" may signify being near death, and the lights being turned off (one of many appearances of such a motif in my recent

dreams) may signify death, particularly given that in the dream the turning off of lights was equated with me "being finished."

•I had a dream there was a theatrical production that was abruptly stopped, as some director came out on the stage and quoted Albert Einstein as saying that under some conditions you just have to have a sudden end. This may have symbolized the idea of sudden death.

•I had a dream of receiving a phone call saying that some developer at a bank had just been terminated, a possible veiled reference to death. In another dream, I was fired from a job, another "termination" reference.

•I had a dream that I was two days away from leaving a job, a possible veiled reference to soon "leaving the job" of earthly existence.

•I had a dream I brought in someone to check out a problem with my refrigerator, and he said that the device was fine, and that the problem was in my electricity. I then tested my electricity by turning on a fan, which ran in a kind of irregular, spasmodic, stop-and-start manner. The dream may have been a dark veiled warning about sudden cardiac death, which typically occurs because of some kind of electrical malfunction in the heart. (Quite a few days later, there was a strange incident reminding me of this dream. I turned on a fan, which ran very slowly for about 40 seconds, and then ran normally. The fan started up normally the next time I turned it on.)

•I had a dream I was in a house and could hear from another room a woman's voice saying, "Dad?! Dad?!" The tone of voice was one suggesting the discovery of a dead or collapsed body.

•I had a dream in which I was looking at an unplugged bath tub with a little water in it. As the last water started to go down the drain, there was that kind of gurgling sound that a tub will make as the last gallon of bath water goes down the drain. This may have symbolized death, which often occurs with a kind of gurgling sound.

•I had a dream that I turned off a light, and then tried to turn it back on, but was unable to do that (suggesting a loss of electricity). The turning off of the light and loss of power may have symbolized death.

•I had a dream I rose up from my seat in a bus, with the intention of leaving, but then realized that I had forgot my shoes. I went back to get them, but just held them as I left the bus barefoot. Getting off the bus barefoot may have symbolized dying (one web site says most people are buried without shoes).

•I dreamed I was working as a night watchman, and some maintenance men came in, saying there had been a sudden failure of the building's heating system. Such a thing may have

been a metaphor for sudden death. Every death is a failure of the heating system that is the body.

•I dreamed I was working in an office building in which there was a power failure. Leaving to go home, I signed my name and the time in a big "sign out" book in which all of the employees were apparently recording their time of leaving. I remember thinking that the time I was writing wasn't right, because I was using a clock on the wall that had stopped because of the power failure. Yet another dream referring to a power failure (which may symbolize death).

•I dreamed of a big bag filled with fine white material, what could have been human ashes.

•I dreamed that in the middle of the night I saw my alarm clock, and it was displaying nothing, as if a power failure had occurred. It was yet another dream of a power failure, which may symbolize bodily death.

•One day I had a dream that I had abruptly quit a job, and was telling someone at my former company, "Sorry about my sudden departure." On the same day I had a dream I was in a classroom, thinking to myself something like, "In a few weeks, I'll leave this place, and never have to see it again." The first dream is suggestive of sudden death, and the second dream may suggest not having much time left to spend in the "classroom" that is earthly life.

•I dreamed about throwing out an ugly old coat. The old coat may symbolize an ugly old body discarded at death.

•I dreamed I was in front of a bed that had on it large chess pieces about the size of wine bottles. Someone moved his king piece in the same column as my queen piece. I explained to him that such a move was illegal under the rules of chess, for under such rules you cannot move the king piece so that it is "in check" and can be "killed" on the next player's move. The exact remembrance I had in this dream of a rule of chess is remarkable. The dream may signify not merely death, but a death in a bed.

•I dreamed that after a son met with his father, he investigated a big power failure that occurred at a power company. This motif of an electrical failure or power failure (which has very often occurred in my dreams in recent months) may symbolize death.

•I dreamed that I was dropping off some books in a library's drop-off boxes, before getting on the subway at about 8:20 AM, to cross the East River to go to work in Manhattan. The "dropping off in a box" may symbolize the discarding of the body at death (which may end up in the box of a coffin), and the trip across the river (to its other side) may symbolize the journey of a soul to some Other Side that is an afterlife realm.

•John Garfield was an actor who died suddenly at age 39 from a heart problem. I dreamed that John Garfield stole my wallet in an elevator. I then dreamed that he annoyed me by following me. I told him to stop following me. Garfield may have symbolized sudden unexpected death. His stealing my wallet in an elevator may have symbolized the loss of money ("you can't take it with you") that someone experiences when passing to some "higher realm" at death.

•I dreamed on July 6 that I announced to a boss that I was quitting a job, saying, "Sunday will be my last day." This could symbolize the idea that I will die on a Sunday, since "last day" might mean either "last day of working" or "last day of living." On the same day (and also the next day) I dreamed of a roof leak, which could symbolize some death in which fluids leak, such as an aneurysm burst. In one of these dreams someone talked about "structure deterioration," which may have been a veiled reference to death. I had several other dreams of being on the last day of a job.

•I dreamed that in a furnace room I dropped a glass jar of pasta sauce, which shattered. There was the worry that this dropping may have damaged the working of the furnace. The shattered jar of red pasta sauce may represent some internal bodily bleeding such as an an embolism burst, and the damaged furnace may represent a body going cold at the time of death.

•I dreamed I was trying to catch the subway to get to an interview. I looked at a piece of paper in my hand, and saw a typo. I was concerned this typo was a kind of "show stopper" or "fatal error." I then got in a subway train, but the train soon went out of service. There was an idea that the people in my subway car all had a medical problem. The subway car going out of service suddenly may represent sudden death. The "show stopper" typo may represent a DNA mutation that leads to death. DNA mutations are often compared to typos.

•I dreamed I tried to turn on my air conditioner, but it would not turn on. When an appliance stops working, people commonly say the appliance "died," so the no-longer-functioning air conditioner may symbolize death.

•I dreamed that I was conducting an orchestra playing the [Siegfried Funeral March](#) from Wagner's opera *Gotterdammerung*.

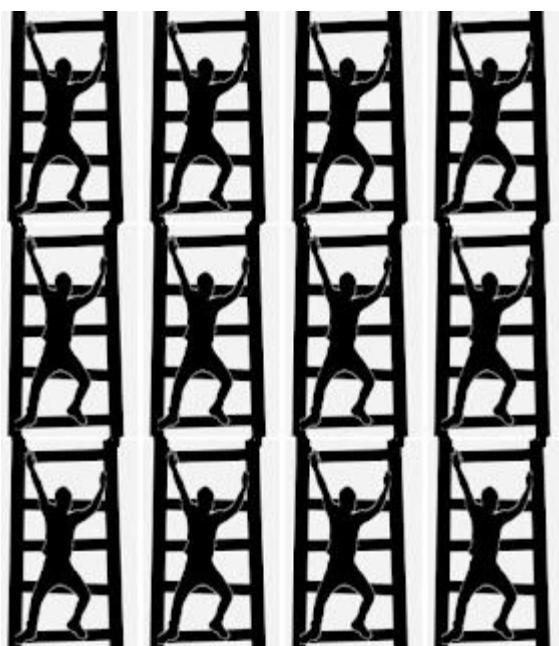
•I dreamed I was in a large field looking at a body on the ground that was completely covered by a sheet, blanket or tarpaulin, with even the head being covered. The body was apparently dead.

•I dreamed that I could see before me the last act of Puccini's opera *La Boheme*, an act that is very death-related as it centers on the death of Mimi by consumption.

- I dreamed there was some house with a very bright elevated light in its yard, and a voice was saying, "The light must be removed." It was another of innumerable "loss of electrical power" or "turning off the lights" dreams I have had, in which such a loss or turning off seems to symbolize death.
- I dreamed I was rushing to make a deposit at a bank before its closing time. The deposit may have represented the deposit of the body a person may make when dying at the "closing time" of his life.
- On August 30, 2021 I dreamed I was looking through a window, and could see the huge ship Titanic slowly moving. The Titanic (which sunk on its first voyage after hitting an iceberg) can be regarded as a symbol of sudden unexpected death.
- I dreamed that I was sleeping in my bed, and that the power went off, causing my fan to stop. On the same night, I dreamed I was turning off some strange lights that provided both light and heat. The loss of power and the loss of heat and light may have symbolized death.
- On a night in which I had yet another dream of a power failure (which may symbolize death), I had a dream of a comet falling from the sky.
- I dreamed I had decided to do a dramatic reading of Poe's famous short story "The Tell Tale Heart." The story is centered around a sudden death.
- I dreamed of a woman with a noose around her head who had a large metal object (like an anvil) smashing her head.
- I had a dream of a black widow spider, a symbol of death.
- I dreamed that I was thinking that I must go to some government office and register the fact of my father's death.
- I dreamed there was a business conference in a room, and a standing man collapsed, as if suffering a heart attack.
- I dreamed someone asked to see some book I was working on. I said something like, "I'll be finished in a few months," which has a double meaning, and could possibly refer to my death in a few months.
- I dreamed that after someone died another person was talking about the person on TV.
- I dreamed I was cooking some meat, and realized I was a vegetarian. So I threw the meat in the trash. Trashing the meat may symbolize death of the body.
- I dreamed a mother was talking to two crying children on a stairway. She said something like, "We loved Daddy, but he was very sick." Apparently the father had died.

- I dreamed my brother and I were both writing long stories or novels. As I was writing the last line of my long story, I seemed to be falling asleep or losing the energy to write. Writing the last line of the story may have symbolized death.
- I dreamed I was lying on a slab-like table at a hospital, and no one was talking to me. Finally someone came near to me, and I said, "No, I'm not supposed to be here -- my wife will pick me up." Was I lying in the hospital morgue?
- I dreamed I heard of a strike (what I presumed was a union strike), which was followed by a scene of an office in which there were about a hundred people standing silently next to desks and chairs that all had big nails driven through them, so that the nails pointed up, making the desks and chairs unusable. The strike may have symbolized a military strike that kills many people and makes property unusable, and all the nails through wood may have symbolized coffin nails.
- I had a dream of some special wheeled gold-plated double-coffin.
- I dreamed I saw what looked like a black hearse vehicle coming down the road, like the vehicle they use to carry coffins. There were then flies in the air. Next in the dream I saw a huge black fly on a bed. Flies are a death symbol. The huge fly on the bed may symbolize a death in bed.
- I dreamed I was in a checkout line at a market (something I often dream of). "Checking out" is a slang term for death. In this dream the person ahead of me in line disappeared, leaving his stuff behind (another element hinting at death, when you leave all your stuff behind).
- I dreamed some boss suggested that he should fire me or maybe just "wait for circuit breakers." Circuit breakers (involving a sudden loss of electrical power) may have symbolized sudden death, which can occur from an electrical failure in the heart.
- I had one dream about someone's last day at work, and in another dream I tried to return to my desk at work and found someone had taken my place. Both dreams may have symbolized death.
- I dreamed a running electrical fan suddenly stopped. This may have symbolized sudden cardiac death, in which the electrical system of the heart suddenly stops working.
- I dreamed that at work I was told that the project I had been working on had been terminated, which may have symbolized death.
- I dreamed that when leaving some meeting, someone told me I had left behind some things. The things included lots of money and my shirt. This may have symbolized leaving behind your money and clothes when you die.

- I dreamed a chorus line of dancers all dressed in black were dancing the finale scene in a Broadway show, what is called the finale. Such a finale may have symbolized death (ditto for another dream I had in which it was my last day at a job).
- I dreamed that a dog lay in a shallow puddle. The dog was twitching a bit, as if it was near death.
- I dreamed that it was the last play of a football game. The ball was thrown to me, and I caught it, which in football is called a completion. Then I headed for the end zone, probably scoring the winning touchdown. The dream seemed to symbolize completion of a life, and had a kind of "death as a victory" feeling to it.
- I dreamed that I was driving with my daughters on a road trip, but that I had to stop my driving sooner than expected because of a medical problem. The trip may represent my lifetime, and the earlier-than-expected stop of the trip may represent my death occurring earlier than I had expected.
- I had a vivid dream of something rather like a hollow office tower filled not with floors but many ladders stretching way up into the air. I was on one such ladder, about 60 ladder steps up the ladder, and below me on the same ladder were many other people. All of the ladders were filled with people, and everyone on the ladders was climbing up higher and higher (rather like in the depiction below). I could see my daughters far below me, on other ladders, and wished for them to climb carefully. Then suddenly I was told that because of something in my DNA, I could not climb the ladder any higher. Each step on the ladder seems to represent one year in a person's life, and the ladder climbing seems to represent aging. The dream may suggest some DNA or genetic reason why I may not live much longer.



## Life-After-Death or Immortality (Direct References or Possible Symbolic References)

Many of my dreams since mid-November 2020 have seemed to directly reference or indirectly symbolize life after death or immortality. Below are more than 200 examples:

- I had a dream I was working in a company developing an immortality drug.
- I had a dream in which I heard the song "You'll Never Walk Alone," which in the movies was originally sung [in a scene](#) in which the spirit of the deceased Billy Bigelow is trying to express his love for his daughter and wife, who cannot see his invisible spirit.
- I had a dream of having a power failure in my home, with a quick restoration. The power failure may symbolize death, and the power restoration may symbolize life after death.
- I had a dream in which I turned off the light to better see some glorious sight in the night sky. The turning-off of the light may symbolize death, and the glorious sight in the sky may symbolize some heavenly glory experienced after death.
- I had a dream in which a moth was trapped in my bathroom, and I opened up the bathroom window and turned off the light, so that the moth could be attracted to the moonlight or light from outside, and leave my bathroom. The moth trapped in the bathroom may symbolize the soul trapped in a body. The turning off of the light may symbolize death. The idea of the moth leaving the bathroom and heading towards the greater light outdoors may symbolize the soul leaving the body and heading toward some greater light like that in some heavenly realm often described as a place of dazzling light. Another day I had a similar dream, involving a red bird that escaped a bathroom, using its beak to open a window screen.
- I dreamed I had been working a long time, and told to "go home." In another dream I was working very late at the office, and there was a kind of impression that I would soon be going home. In another dream I finished working at an office, and started to go home, returning back to my desk after realizing I had forgot to take my winter coat. In another dream I dropped off a package (which may have represented discarding a body at death), and then thought that it is time to go home. In near-death experiences people often encounter some mystical realm they claim they felt to be their "real home."
- I dreamed I won big in a lottery, about the same time someone said something about "going home." This could have been some reference to good fortune obtained when "going home" to some heavenly realm. In another dream I was "going home" victorious after some big military victory.
- I had a dream of stone statues of saints being packed into canoes on a river, suggesting some kind of "religious journey to the Other Side" theme.

- I dreamed I was swimming from one side of a river to the other, which suggests some "journey to the Other Side" theme.
- I dreamed I saw (through what I first thought was a big window) a big scary monster, but then I found out the monster was a CGI illusion, because the "window" was not a window but a big video screen. The monster may symbolize death, and finding that the monster was nothing to fear may symbolize finding (through some life after death) that death is really nothing to fear.
- I dreamed that someone had found either a fourth act of Wagner's opera *Die Meistersinger von Nurnberg*, or a sequel to it. We know that Wagner did not write such an act or such a sequel, at least not while he lived in his mortal life, and that this opera is only three acts. This dream thereby implies the idea of Wagner continuing his composing work after death. Months later I had the same dream.
  - I dreamed opera singers were singing "Nessun Dorma" as behind them a man collapsed. "Nessun Dorma" is a triumphant aria that ends with words in Italian that mean "I will win, I will win, I will win!" The juxtaposition of this triumphant aria with the visual of a man collapsing as though dying suggests a "death as a triumph" idea suggestive of life after death.
  - I dreamed a man had been stabbed (probably dying), and that I then saw the man standing in a building, and said, "Hi there -- back from the grave?" The dream suggests the idea of continuation after death.
  - I had a dream in which some person asked me if he could use something, and I said he could. But then I got the feeling the person was a ghost. So I turned to the door, pointed at it, and said, "Go out, Kevin!" When I turned my head back to look at where the figure had been, I saw that it had suddenly vanished, like a ghost.
  - I had a dream of someone jumping off the top of a high skyscraper, but then using a parachute to escape death, which may symbolize postmortal survival after what seems like someone's demise.
  - I had a dream in which from an overpass I looked down and saw a car driving very fast smash into another car. But the collision caused the car to ascend into the air and land on the overpass, with the clear idea that the mother and child in the car had "landed safely." The high-speed collision may symbolize death, the ascent of the car may symbolize the ascent of the soul to heaven, and landing safely on the overpass may symbolize reaching a state of postmortal immortality on a higher heavenly level.
  - I had a dream in which I heard the Hallelujah Chorus from Handel's *Messiah*, with its resounding repetition of a theme of eternal life.

- I dreamed my deceased father showed me a wallet. I took out of it a card that had on it the name of a company that notoriously underwent a "sudden death" that came in the form of an unexpected bankruptcy. My father then said, "Your identity won't be stolen," a possible reference to life-after-death that prevents a loss or "theft" of personal identity.
- I had a dream in which I got a bus back home quickly, but some young people had to wait a long time before getting their bus back home. Because those having near-death experiences often report encountering some heavenly realm which they thought of as their "real home," you could interpret this "bus back home" as reaching an afterlife realm after death (a person as old as me getting such a trip fairly soon, and young people having to wait a long time before getting such a trip).
- I dreamed my late father asked (?) if I could go to some home where I had previously lived, saying that my late grandmother now lived there. I'm not sure whether it was an asking to make such a trip or a prediction of such a trip. Another "going home" reference that may refer to a postmortem realm, particularly given the assertion that my late grandmother now lives there. Because it was stated that I had previously lived in such a place, the dream may hint at the doctrine of pre-existence (that souls live in some heavenly realm before they come to live on Earth).
- I had a dream consisting of nothing but me giving a key to an old woman. Suggesting a new residence for the old woman, the dream may symbolize some afterlife place to which the old woman may soon be going to.
- I had a dream I was using some computer program or web site allowing me to peek into graves. When I pressed a button, I saw on my computer screen a big rectangular hole in the ground. But inside the hole there was no coffin, no corpse, and no skeleton -- only dirt. The dream seems to suggest a kind of "death is an illusion" theme.
- I had a dream in which there was the vague idea that some very important transition event was about to occur, but that it could only occur if I traveled somewhere by bus. The transition event may have meant death, and the bus trip may have signified moving to some afterlife realm.
- I dreamed that I was supposed to go with an old man to speak with Johnny Carson for some interview scheduled for around 8:30. I wonder whether the going to speak with Johnny Carson part was a reference to going to a place of the dead (Carson is deceased).
- I dreamed that some ghost was saying, "I'm here to pick up my wife."

- I dreamed that a married couple on a trip were unexpectedly separated, with one of the two going on a "great trip" to Sweden. The separation may represent death, and the "great trip" to a high northern country may symbolize some trip to a "more elevated" afterlife realm.
- I dreamed that my late father was driving me somewhere, and I could see (driving in a nearby car) my late sister. There was an idea that we would all soon be meeting at the same destination, which may suggest the idea of me soon meeting deceased relatives in some afterlife situation.
- I dreamed that someone behind a desk asked me to tell in which graveyard my late mother was buried, as if he doubted that she was really dead. Such a dream suggesting a doubting about whether a deceased person was really dead may suggest (in a veiled, indirect way) the idea of life after death (it being in one sense right to doubt that the deceased are really dead if they survive in some afterlife).
- I dreamed that my younger brother asked me whether it was true that "something could go on forever," a possible reference to eternal life.
- I dreamed that a woman driven in a car over a river bridge (from the other side of a river) got out of the car, and said she had to walk about sixty blocks before she could reach home. Each of the sixty blocks may symbolize a year of life, and the "reaching home" after such a journey may symbolize a return to some postmortal state (on the Other Side) that the soul may have previously inhabited during some non-earthly pre-existence.
- A kind of narration voice in my dream said, "This is John Wayne when he was dying of cancer." But the image was not of Wayne in some bed, but instead an image of Wayne walking across some bridge. The bridge may have symbolized a passage to an afterlife realm ("crossing a bridge" is a common motif in near-death experiences). Wayne did actually die of cancer.
- I had a dream of my mother giving me a gift, and saying, "You can keep it." This may have been a veiled reference to immortality. You might consider life a gift from your mother, and the preservation of existence through immortality a kind of "keeping the gift."
- I had a dream I was in some attic describing a philosophy I called biospiritism. In the dream I said that one central idea of the philosophy was that biological life was a marvel of organization beyond natural explanation. I also said that another central idea of the philosophy was that humans have a soul or spirit. The latter statement seemed to be a reference to an immortal soul.
- I had a dream that there were some people moving into a life boat launched by a ship, and that someone in the boat threw out a dead dog into the water. The dream simultaneously

suggests themes of survival and discarding of a body, hinting perhaps of survival after your dead body has been discarded.

- I dreamed that the lights turned off, and that I then picked up an old-fashioned rotary phone. There was the very clear idea that I was phoning some realm of the deceased. "We are greeting you here," said a male voice I heard over the telephone. "I can't wait to see you," I replied, using an expression someone uses when he thinks he will soon see someone else.
- I dreamed that I was going to soon visit my mother, and then got a phone call saying she was dead. The dream may suggest I may soon visit a deceased parent in some afterlife realm.
- I dreamed that I was working in some office like they had in the early 1990's, in which people had big bulky computers that needed to stay plugged in while someone was working. I pulled out an electrical plug from the wall to put in my plug in the socket, but then I noticed I had pulled out the plug of a man who had been using his big computer. I was worried that this would have caused an information loss, but the man told me there was no information loss. The loss of electricity (a frequent motif in my dreams) may have symbolized death, and the preservation of information despite such an event may have symbolized preservation of the mind in some life after death.
- The night after the death of a sibling, I had a dream consisting of nothing but me looking at a few pennies on the floor, and saying to someone else, "Look here!" Many people think that finding hard-to-explain coins can be a sign from the Great Beyond, and I have had innumerable [strange experiences](#) finding hard-to-explain coins, including one in which a coin rolled up from behind me, rolling on its edge, when I was alone in my apartment.
- I had a dream in which I was on one side of a river, and could distantly see some females on the other side of the river, who were anxious that someone come back across the river. There was then the idea that this person was not coming back, and the females wailed, before walking away from the river bank. Crossing a river bank is a frequent metaphor for dying and going to some Other Side.
- I had a dream of a trunk that was all packed up with things needed for a journey. This "packing up for travel" theme supposedly occurs often in hospice patients, and the journey may represent a trip to some afterlife destination.
- I dreamed that I found papers scattered all over my living room floor, and that I thought to myself that it must be the work of a poltergeist (the concept being related to life after death). I had another similar dream months later.

- I had some dream involving military events, in which I was thinking that I would soon cross an amount of water about as wide as a river, going to its other side, which may have been a reference to "crossing over to the Other Side."
- I had a dream that some medical person was examining a body on a table, a body with closed eyes, stretched out arms and an open mouth. It looked like some autopsy or "cause of death" examination, but there was an underlying thought of "it's just fake" or "it's just a sham or a charade," with a hand movement of the examined body giving evidence for such an idea. All in all, the dream seemed to suggest the idea of death as being a sham or illusion, which may suggest the idea of survival beyond death.
- I had a dream of a flying figure rising way up in a kind of tall hollow building interior, like a grand hotel atrium. A body was trying to hold on to the flying figure to prevent the ascent, but the rising figure cast off that body. This may have symbolized the ascent of a soul after death, involving a casting off of the body. In the dream's next scene there was a shining ghost-like body that could pass through another such ghost-like body.
- After having a dream of a grizzly bear outside my building followed many days later by a dream of such a bear inside the house I was living in, I had the thought that the bear may symbolize death, that such dreams may signify death getting closer, and that if I see the bear in the same room it may mean death is near. Then much later I did have a dream in which a bear was in the same room. But it wasn't a grizzly bear, but a big cuddly stuffed animal bear that someone was moving around in a kind of funny dance. The last of these dreams may have suggested death is nothing to fear, perhaps because it isn't really the end. In the same dream someone was singing about the soul, and I saw my image in a wall mirror which then disappeared (the disappearance of my image seeming to suggest death). Similarly, quite a few days later I dreamed I was petting a full-sized brown bear not in a cage, who was no danger because he was very old, dying and sleepy.
- I had a dream in which I kind of woke up to find about 10 gallons of water had poured out from a faucet, even though the faucet was not running. There was a strange thought of "the cold water was blocked, so the hot water came out." The cold water blockage may have symbolized an artery blockage causing death, and the hot water that came out may have symbolized the soul emerging from the body after such a fatal blockage.
- I had a dream of being at a lawyer's office to sign a release form. The release may have symbolized life after death, which has sometimes been called the release of the soul from the body.
- I had a dream some person put on trial was writing an appeal to a judge, which included the words "you know the soul lives forever."

- I dreamed that I was standing in a bathroom, facing the door, and that my wife and one of my daughters came up close to the door. But I had the feeling that they had not even noticed my presence. It was as if I were some invisible ghost.
- I dreamed I was standing next to my mother, who was holding a telephone to her ear, and said saying something like "I will see you soon." As my mother is deceased, this may have been a reference to life after death.
- I dreamed that I could fly around in the air, and was demonstrating such a power to some people, but no one seemed impressed or astonished. The dream may hint at some afterlife realm where everyone has such a power.
- I dreamed that I jaywalked across a highway avoiding lots of cars traveling fast, arriving on the other side of the highway. This scary journey may have symbolized a scary death experience that leaves you on the Other Side (an afterlife).
- After her death, I dreamed I was with the last-born of my siblings, on the bottom floor of a house we used to live in. I was telling her how she could speed-dial me on the phone if she had some trouble. I saw in the room a book with the title "Effective Ghost Writing." So there were two elements in this dream hinting at the idea of communication with the deceased.
- I dreamed that I had a kind of a birds-eye view of a football stadium. First, I saw a body lying by itself on the field, as if a player had collapsed or died. Then I saw some players celebrating joyously, as football players do when a touchdown is scored. This may have suggested a "death will be followed by triumphant joy" theme hinting at some afterlife.
- I dreamed that I entered an office and told the man at the front desk I had an appointment. But the person ignored me, as if I was some invisible ghost.
- I had a dream I was repeatedly falling from a rooftop about 50 meters high, down to the street below, with about three such falls occurring. In one of these falls, there was some fire involved, as if I had fallen into a fire. Each such falling may represent a death I may have experienced in a previous life, and one of those deaths may have been a death in a fire. Alternately, the dream may simply represent the idea of survival after death.
- I had a dream mentioning the concept of "spirit bells," bells that could be used to receive manifestations from spirits.
- I had a dream a woman was singing some song about salvation or life after death. Nearby people were dancing or jumping about in a very joyous manner.
- I had a dream I watched a book-sized object on the floor slide away from me. The object then reversed motion, sliding toward me. I said, "Hey, who is moving that thing?" It was like some poltergeist was at work.

• I had a dream I looked at a big bridge and thought that it was too far to walk across it, and that I should take the subway instead (living in New York City, I know that subway travel is an alternative to walking across a bridge to get across the East River). I then entered the subway station, but to get into the subway station required some very scary traversal down a cliff-like entrance. The travel across the river may have represented passage to some Other Side. Traveling through the subway tunnel may match near-death experience accounts of passing through a tunnel to get to the Other Side. The scary cliff-like entrance of the subway may represent scary experiences a person has to endure around the time of death, before passing over to the Other Side.

• I had a dream someone was in some small room with a glass front wall, to the side of a house. There first appeared to be no way to get in or out of the room. But then the dream revealed there was a secret exit: a rectangular shaped hole in the floor that could be crawled through. The dream may have symbolized the idea that there is some secret path by which the soul can escape from the body, to survive death.

• I had a dream some workers (including me) came to their desks, and were saddened to see that their computers had been stolen or destroyed. I thought to myself something like, "This isn't so bad, because I have a backup," thinking of an information backup. The dream may symbolize the idea that someone's self and memory may be preserved (by means of a soul survival) even after a physical body is lost.

• I dreamed that I posted some URL links to some web site, one of those sites (such as [www.reddit.com](http://www.reddit.com)) that allow users to post links that become part of a web page. The links were to some web pages talking about life after death. In my dream I then checked whether the web site had accepted my links (moderators often reject links you try to add to sites such as [www.reddit.com](http://www.reddit.com)). I found the web server was rebooting. The computer reboot may symbolize life after death, with the server's "life" continuing after the brief "death" of the reboot.

• I had a dream in which I heard a couple singing the song "One Hand, One Heart" from *West Side Story*, a song that ends with the line "even death won't part us now," which hints at life after death.

• I dreamed I was in a big auditorium or church or theater where some music was playing. Someone said something like, "This performance has dragged on too long -- let's stop it." So there was a sudden end to the music. Then I walked up some stairs. The sudden end may have signified sudden death, and the walking up the stairs may have symbolized the ascent of a soul to some heaven after death.

•I dreamed that I had been chosen to be the new host of *The Tonight Show*. An announcer on TV said, "At 12:40 tonight *The Tonight Show* will be cancelled, but five minutes later the show will return to the air with a new host and a new format." The cancellation of the show may have symbolized sudden death, and the return five minutes later of a new version of the show may symbolize life after death. It is interesting that the five-minute delay mentioned is about how long it would take someone to die from something like cardiac arrest. Cancellations of TV shows are often compared to deaths, and someone may say something like "NBC killed *Star Trek* after three seasons."

•I dreamed that I was an Allied soldier in Nazi-occupied Italy, trying to get back home. I found a boat yard near a river, and stole a kayak, trying to use the kayak to get back home. Once again the "crossing the river" motif, which may symbolize the barrier between life and death that leads to some Other Side that is like "your real home." On the same night I had another "trying to get back home" dream, which also had a "blockage" motif that I often get in dreams.

•In another one of very many dreams of "crossing the water to get to the other side," I dreamed that I first thought of crossing a body of water using two big empty plastic boxes in my home as flotation devices. But then I realized this was impractical, and bought an airplane ticket to cross the water. Getting to such an other side may represent reaching the Other Side of an afterlife.

•I dreamed that I went into my kitchen, and saw it dramatically rearranged. "It's the poltergeist!" I said. "This place is haunted!"

•I dreamed that after entering a building, I tried to greet a young woman, but saw her fade away into nothingness like a vanishing ghost. Then I saw phantom faces on window panes.

•I had a dream I was sitting with members of my family at a table, probably the four deceased members of my family. I said that I would bring a song of my own composition, and seemed to be promising to prepare that for our next meeting, seemingly thinking of a meeting that would occur before long.

•I dreamed that a car picked me up in the middle of the night, to take me to a train where I would go with some other people on some quest to get knowledge about paranormal realities. This may have symbolized dying in the night, and traveling to some afterlife realm. On the same night I dreamed I was being carried in a man's arms in a "crossing the threshold" fashion, which may have symbolized crossing a threshold between earthly life and the afterlife. The man was a famous deceased person.

- In the middle of one of very many dreams with a "going home" theme which may be related to life after death, I dreamed of a book with the title *100 Secrets of Eternity*, a title rather suggesting the idea of deep truths such as eternal life.
- On one night I had a dream of a light being unplugged and then replugged in elsewhere. The first loss of light may represent death, and the restoration of the light may represent life after death. On the same night I dreamed vaguely about major transfers of financial assets, which may refer to the type of financial asset transfers that occur when someone dies.
- I dreamed I was in a group of 10 or 15 people standing rather closely together, facing a man. In the middle of these people there was a black rope hanging from the ceiling. I climbed up the rope a little ways, and then began swinging back and forth, vocally making a spooky "ooh-ooh-ooh" noise like some haunting ghost. My motion resembled that of a ghost flying about or gliding about, and my feet were not touching the ground. Very strangely, none of the 10 or 15 people moved out of my way as I swung, and none of them seemed to notice me. It was as if I was some invisible immaterial ghost.
- I dreamed that a man was encased in some huge outer covering of packed snow or ice, like a butterfly trapped inside a snowball, and that some workers came to free his body from this material. The dream may be a metaphor for the idea of the soul being freed at death from some body that it does not need.
- I dreamed that I was taking a night train to go see my mother. This may be a reference to traveling to some afterlife realm, as my mother is deceased.
- I dreamed that while walking towards an elevator, I was singing the Christmas carol "Oh Holy Night," but I was paraphrasing its lyrics, so that I sang "Oh night divine, oh night when I met you." The elevator may symbolize rising to some heavenly realm, and the meeting on a "night divine" may refer to encountering some divine reality.
- I had a dream in which a narrator was saying that a deceased mother was somehow watching over her son and also somehow helping him at different times.
- Although I have been living in the same place for many years, I had two recent dreams of relocating to a new residence, which may symbolize moving to some new afterlife realm of existence.
- I had a dream I was walking with someone to go see my father's tombstone. Strangely, in the dream I had the idea that I did not know where my father's body was, and that I should just go to the known location of his tombstone, which was easier to get to. Although this big difference between a body location and a tombstone location may seem senseless, it makes very good sense under the notion (common in the literature of the paranormal) that each

person has a kind of spiritual body that will survive death. Under such a hypothesis, the location of a deceased person's spiritual body would be very different from the location of his tombstone.

•I had a dream I was in the lobby of a tall building, in front of its elevators. I was dressed in a business suit, but wearing no shoes. My attire in this dream may symbolize death, because people who have open-coffin funerals often have fancy clothes on their top half, but no shoes (their bottom half being unseen by funeral attendees). The elevators in front of me may symbolize an ascent to some higher plane of existence after death. On another night I had a similar "elevation" dream. On that night I dreamed I was an astronaut taking a rocket up to a space station. The space station was all brilliantly lit whiteness like the space station in the movie *2001: A Space Odyssey*. In near-death experiences people often report rising up to some place of dazzling white light. In dreams on several other nights I was also approaching an elevator.

•I had a dream I was driving down a mountain with a structure like a high ziggurat, but with no road. There were about 70 levels, with the levels getting wider and wider as I drove down. After finishing this scary ride, I felt safe and relieved. Each level may symbolize a particular year of life, with the width of each level representing how old I was in one year of my life. The feeling of safety and relief when I finished this difficult journey may represent how a person will feel after he has died and progressed to some afterlife realm: a feeling of safety and relief.

•I had a dream I was climbing up a very tall and thin yellow tower, by climbing up a long ladder. I came to some area near the tower's end that I couldn't see well. I heard someone say that now I had to make a jump to go farther. Each wrung on the ladder may have represented a year of life, and the jump at the end of the tower may represent the transition to a life after death.

•I dreamed that by putting a cigarette lighter under an empty upside-down plastic bottle, I could cause the bottle to levitate and then float far away. The dream may have symbolized common reports (during near-death experiences) of souls floating in the air and moving far away.

•I dreamed on August 17 that I was palm-push wrestling with my late father. We were facing each other, standing, with our palms together, pushing in opposite directions, with a line between us. In each round the winner was whoever pushed forward far enough so that both of his feet were standing on the other side of the line separating the two players. My father won the first round, but I then won the next two rounds, to win the match. My father went out of my sight. Then a woman said she would bet 20 dollars that my father would win if there

was another round. So my father came back, and we did one more round of palm-push wrestling, which I won, by pushing far enough so that my feet were on the other side of the line. Moving to the other side of the line may have symbolized crossing over to the Other Side of an afterlife. I can never recall having a dream in which I was so physically close to a deceased person.

•I dreamed that I was on the sofa of my living room, and was surprised to see a deceased sister (the first born of my siblings) come up to me. She looked much younger than when she died, and was smiling. I said that she must be a ghost, and she said she was not. I reached out to touch her. I then experienced some problem with my tablet device, causing me to turn it off.

•I dreamed that I and many other people were crossing a bridge, which may have represented a boundary between earthly life and postmortal existence.

•I dreamed some people including myself had been on some long obstacle course or treasure hunt, and that the kind of end point or finish line was a door. The long obstacle course or treasure hunt may have represented earthly life, and the door at the end of this may have represented the entry to an afterlife.

•I dreamed that I was at an airport, and there was some task I had to do before my departure. There were long tables and hundreds of people in front of the tables. There were hundreds of little slots on the tables. In the dream I felt I was supposed to find some little slot I could use somehow, but it was hard to find an empty slot that was not already being used. The slots may have symbolically represented burial slots in a graveyard, and the departure into the sky may have represented an ascent to some afterlife realm.

•I dreamed some woman in a tower was looking at a large border divider, a border between two countries. She thought that she would escape her country by traveling at length near the border. The border may have represented a boundary between earthly life and an afterlife. On another day, in a similar vein, I had both a dream of climbing up and over a high fence (like you might have at a border) and a dream of searching for a tool I could use to pry open a locked door.

•I dreamed someone put a dead turtle with a burned shell on the chair I was using at work. Disgusted by this, I quit the job. The destroyed shell may represent the destruction of an earthly body (a kind of shell for the soul) at death, and quitting the job and going elsewhere may have represented moving on to a new postmortal reality after death.

•I dreamed that in some family a housekeeper had seen a ghost, and the story of the sighting had been passed down for 400 years in the family. In another dream on the same day, there was a mention of "beckoning ghosts."

- I dreamed that some video was being analyzed of a woman falling from a high height, and in a freeze-frame from the video there was some glowing luminous effect around the instant she crashed to the ground, as if her soul had visibly departed at that instant.
- I dreamed a woman sitting in a theater was singing [Marguerite's part in the trio near the end of the opera Faust](#), in which she prays for the angels to carry her soul to heaven, just before she dies and her soul rises to heaven.
- I dreamed that a group of men and women in colorful clothes were happily floating around in the air, like ghosts or angels. Behind them was a bright white featureless background. The bright white indistinct background appears in cinematic depictions of life after death, and in accounts such as near-death experiences.
- I dreamed that two women came into my apartment, and some paranormal things started to happen. At least once the lights turned off and then on; the face on a helium balloon changed its expression; and I found a little rag doll where no one would have put it: on top of a table lamp, near its glowing light bulb. The turning off and turning on of the light is something I have got repeatedly in my dreams. The turning off may symbolize physical death, and the turning on may symbolize life after death. The rise of the rag doll to the top of the lamp may symbolize the ascent of the soul to heaven (people having near-death experiences often report rising up towards some heavenly light).
- I dreamed of a man falling about 30 meters down the side of a building, landing on a mattress. The dream may have symbolized a life-after-death idea of "when you seem to die, you are not really destroyed."
- I dreamed of a kind of "full circle" camera view of a house, a kind of 360 degrees view such as might have been made by a drone flying in a circle around the house. The dream may have symbolized the 360 degrees vision reported by many during near-death experiences.
- I dreamed that US president John Kennedy and someone else were walking about, hoping that no one would recognize them. There was the clear idea that this was occurring after Kennedy's assassination. The dream therefore hints at life after death.
- I dreamed that Robert Kennedy (a US senator murdered in 1968) was catching a butterfly (often regarded as a symbol of life after death, because of how butterflies emerge from the death-like state of a cocoon). In the dream there was some idea of the butterfly being supernatural or paranormal, so the dream may be regarded as pertaining to the afterlife. Very strangely less than 6 hours after having this dream I saw a beautiful orange-black monarch butterfly from a moving subway car, a few feet outside of the car's window.

- I dreamed that I was showing someone photos I had taken of some ghost-like glowing thing floating in the air.
- I dreamed that some boy accidentally fell from some high height, but he was saved by some fancy device designed to save people from such falls. The fall may represent death, and the saving from destruction may represent life after death.
- I dreamed there was some complicated terrorist plot that included a giant flying thing that crashed into some area where people were, acting like a giant flying blade. A woman's body then seemed to fly up into the air after this crash. The disaster crash may have represented death, and the flying up of the body may have represented life after death.
- I dreamed I was crossing a kind of floral boundary line marking the border between two different homeowner's yards. Looking at the yard I was entering, I was thinking, "I've lived there before." Crossing over into the other yard I saw a smiling woman who seemed to greet me. Crossing over to the other side of this boundary may have represented crossing a boundary between earthly life and an afterlife, often referred to as the Other Side. The thought that I've lived there before may suggest the idea of the pre-existence of the soul in some heavenly realm.
- I said to my deceased father, "I'm almost finished," and agreed to meet him for a meal. The "almost finished" part might have referred to my death, and the meeting with my deceased father may have referred to an afterlife encounter.
- I dreamed that I was watching some fictional TV show that had a plot in which all of the dead had been brought back to life. There was some road filled with standing people who had died long ago.
- I dreamed that I was talking to some person who said that he thought that a person's energy survived death. I told him that I had the strongest reasons for believing that the whole mind and the whole personality survives death, not just some energy.
- I dreamed that I walked up some ascending walkway to reach some high place where there were joyous people having fun and playing music. I saw a little girl who was having fun playing with colorful sprinkles. I said to the girl, "Princess, we have been drawn away from this place by our duties, but we will return to it one day." I gently took the little girl's hand, and walked away with her. The dream may symbolize the idea of a blissful heavenly pre-existence, followed by an earthly life involving the carrying out of duties, followed by a return to the heavenly state.
- I dreamed I was crossing a bridge, going to its Other Side.
- I dreamed I was crossing a highway, going from one side of it to its Other Side.

- I dreamed that someone banged another person on the head ten times with a big 25-pound iron barbell (which would probably kill someone). But the banged person retained a normal mind, as if nothing had happened. The dream may symbolize continuation of the mind after fatal injury.
- I dreamed someone was singing the song "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," the part with the lyrics "where troubles melt like lemon drops, away above the chimney tops, that's where you'll find me." The song describes some place sounding like a heavenly paradise.
- I dreamed that I was driving a car, next to a toll gate on a bridge. There were two lanes, and I realized I was in the wrong lane. So I did a short U-turn to get into the right lane, the lane with the toll gate. The toll was \$98. Because I was first in the lane opposite the lane with the toll gate, the dream implies I had previously come across the bridge, and was now going to cross the bridge in the other direction to return to where I had come from. The bridge may symbolize the border between this earthly life and some afterlife realm (on the Other Side). The dream may symbolize not only an afterlife (going to some Other Side) but also pre-existence before birth in the same afterlife realm (because the dream implies that I previously crossed the bridge).
- I dreamed I awoke to find my bedroom flooded with water. I searched around the house, and found my last-born sister in bed, underwater, apparently dead. My mother and I tried to revive her, and she came back to life. The dream seems to hint at life after death.
- I dreamed that I had covered in a tissue a dark insect looking rather like a rotting locust. I said it was disgusting. Then something started to move from underneath the tissue, as if something was coming to life or leaving the apparently dead insect. The rotting locust may have symbolized a dead body; the tissue may have symbolized a shroud; and the movement of something from underneath the tissue may have symbolized the departure of the soul from a dead body.
- I dreamed someone was talking about a person who tried to photograph the soul leaving the body.
- I had a dream I was trying to use some chemical to bring dead cats back to life (which may have symbolized spiritual life after death).
- I dreamed that as I looked from a high balcony, I looked down and saw a big table in which about 24 people were seated. There was a single empty chair which I recognized as where I would have sat. The empty chair may symbolize death, and the high balcony a position in some afterlife realm.

• I dreamed I was looking through the window of a building about four stories tall, looking at a street scene ahead of me. I saw a volcano erupting in the distance. Then I saw the brick building in front of me (on the other side of the street) undergo a strange kind of disaster. All of the front walls of the building collapsed and fell. But the interior of the building was preserved. I could look inside that interior like some child looking into the floors of a doll house. I saw that the building's owner had survived the disaster. The volcano may represent some physical disaster causing death. The collapse of the building's front walls may represent the destruction of the body, which is only the loss of an outer shell, a facade. The preservation of the core of the building (and the survival of the owner) may represent the survival of the soul (the inner core of a person) after death.

• I dreamed that while putting stuff in the bottom of a refrigerator, a woman fell asleep. She then awoke. The woman being asleep in a cold prone state may have symbolized death, and the awakening may have symbolized life after death.

• I dreamed I was driving on a highway that had many other cars driving fast. Several people were crossing the highway from one of its sides to its other side, perpendicular to the path of my car. The people seemed unbothered by the danger of all the fast- moving cars whizzing by. The crossing people were acting like ghosts or spirits as they crossed over to the Other Side.

• On November 26, 2021 I dreamed that I was at some huge heliport resembling an airport. I could see big helicopters departing in the distance, carrying many people up into the air. One of the two destinations was some kind of academy. I bought a ticket for \$20. The ascending helicopters carrying people up in the air may represent people going to some afterlife in a higher realm, where things will be learned that cannot be learned on Earth.

• I had a dream I was jumping from a very tall cliff, towards the ground about 100 meters below me. But there was no feeling of danger. Instead there was a feeling of "this won't cause me any trouble." It was as if I knew that my soul would survive the crash of my body.

• I had a dream that I was working as a security guard, and encountered some gushing pipe leakage. Then I met some impressive tall figure dressed in white, and said something like, "You are the super-boss." The fluid leakage may have symbolized death (by something like gunfire or an aneurysm), and meeting the "super-boss" may have symbolized meeting some divine entity after death.

• I dreamed my boss was telling me I must meet some deadline. I told her I would meet the deadline when I went home. The *deadline* may have symbolized death, and the "going home" may have symbolized going to some afterlife realm. In near-death experiences people often report seeing some realm which they said felt like their "real home," and the "going home"

theme is one very frequently occurring in my dreams (including many I haven't even listed in this post).

•I dreamed I saw on the ground what looked like a \$20 bill. When I looked at it I saw it was marked "Transit Bill," as if it was something that could only be used to make some trip. I hesitated about picking up the bill. The "transit" referred to may have been a transit to some afterlife realm, and it would be natural to hesitate before taking such a trip.

•I dreamed I was telling someone I keep having dreams about death. I then said something about having one of my feet in one world, and the other foot in a different world. Such an expression is sometimes used to describe people having end-of-life dreams or visions, with the second world meaning some afterlife realm.

•I dreamed I was in a room with several people, and I was suddenly told I had been fired. Strangely in my dream I was then lying on a bed, thinking about how I would go home, the time being about 2:15 AM. As the dream had me lying on a bed in the middle of the night, the firing (or termination, to use another word for firing) may have symbolized death (something also referred to as termination). The "going home" part may have been yet another "going home" reference to traveling to some afterlife realm, often described (by those having near-death experiences) as feeling like one's true home.

•When the work of a group of programmers is sent out or made available so that it can be used by people, that is called a "release." I dreamed I sat in a programmer's desk, and had the idea that it was almost time for the release. The release may have symbolized a soul surviving after death, which is sometimes called "the release of the soul from the body."

•I had another of many dreams I have recently had about crossing from one side of a road to its other side. Death was an element of this dream, which featured a dead body. The crossing over to the other side may have meant a transition to some Other Side that is an afterlife realm. In another dream (one of many I have had about bridge crossings), I was walking with some women, and watched as they crossed over a bridge (although I chose not to go with them).

•I dreamed I was on the subway, and I fell asleep, dropping my leather coat on the floor of the subway car. I then woke up. The falling asleep and the drop of the coat (like the drop of a collapsing body) may represent death, and the waking up after sleep may represent life after death. On the same day I had one of many dreams I have had recently with a "coming home" theme (see above for the afterlife relevance of this theme). In the dream I was playing backlot baseball, and first hit a double, then reached third and then reached home plate.

•I dreamed that some person stood next to a very sick person, and said that he would soon die. I said, "I'm sorry -- hopefully he'll go on to a better place," a reference to life after death.

• I dreamed there was some lightning bolt that seemed to cause a loss of power. Then I called the power company to complain about the lack of power. The person at the company said, "You're online," as if he could tell I now had electricity. The power loss (a frequent motif in my dreams) may symbolize death, and the still being online after the power loss may symbolize life after death. On the same night I dreamed I was buying a ticket for a train to an amusement park that would leave in 20 minutes. The amusement park may have represented some blissful postmortem realm.

• I had a dream I was at a bus depot, about to depart on a bus trip (one of many dreams I have had about departing on a journey). As I was about to depart, I could hear some voice saying grandiose things about the bus trip. I don't remember the exact words, but it was something like, "This will be a trip more fantastic than any you have ever had." The ever-so-amazing trip may have symbolized a journey to some afterlife realm.

• I had a dream of a baseball player who hit doubles so often they called him "Mr. Double." The term may have been a symbolic reference to a doctrine often suggested by scholars of out-of-body experiences or the people who have them: that humans have a kind of double body, with the second body (the so-called "astral body") consisting of some different type of matter or energy, which can survive death. A few instants later I dreamed of a baseball player sliding into home plate, one of countless cases of a "going home" or "reaching home" motif in my dreams (see above for the afterlife relevance of this theme).

• In the latest of countless "crossing a dividing line" dreams I have had, I had a dream in which there was a row of horses inside a room, and behind them were two horses. The two horses wanted to get to the other side of this row, but the solid row blocked them. So the horses jumped over the row of horses. This "rising up to reach the other side" dream may have symbolized the rise of the soul after death to some heavenly realm, often called the Other Side.

• On one night I had three dreams involving travel. In one I was waiting for a train, and in another I was in car about to go on a long trip. The dream most suggestive of life after death involved me in a bus, being driven across a bridge to its Other Side, with the bus then dropping me off at a spot that I recognized as my home (another repetition of the "going home" motif constantly occurring in my dreams, with "home" possibly representing some afterlife destination where souls may have previously existed before coming to this earth).

• I dreamed I was walking up stairs in a subway station, and could see way above me a shaft of light. The "rising up to the light" theme reminds me of a motif of near-death experiences.

- I dreamed that a male had fallen from a height, and lost consciousness after bumping his head. Then he awoke. The loss of consciousness may have symbolized death, and the waking up may have symbolized life after death.
- I dreamed I woke up at night and saw the front door of my apartment open. Looking around, I saw only my wife sleeping. The dream may have symbolized dying at night, and then existing as some spirit that can effortlessly exit my apartment without opening the door.
- I dreamed I was talking to my first-born sister on the phone, telling her of a time and place (a train station) where we and other family members should meet. I had the idea that I needed to leave soon, to arrive on time for this meeting. Since the sister is deceased, the dream was suggestive of life after death.
- On one night I had two dreams of traveling way up into the sky. In one two people were flying in the air mysteriously underneath a flying "M," which may have stood for my name. In another I was an astronaut going to Mars. The dreams of traveling way up into the sky may have symbolized some ascent to a heavenly realm.
- I dreamed a human figure was floating around in the air, like a ghost.
- I dreamed a man jumped from a high height in an apparent death leap. But then I saw the man smiling after he hit the ground, his fall having been cushioned by a huge pile of green leaves. The fall seems to symbolize death, and the surprising survival after the end of the fall seems to symbolize life after death.
- I dreamed I was one of many people who arrived to meet the leader of one of the world's most powerful countries. I was scolded for arriving in causal dress. The dream may have symbolized some sudden death in which a person unexpectedly finds himself meeting God or some other otherworldly power.
- Similarly, two days later I dreamed that I met with Santa Claus, but a Santa Claus who was very tall and muscular, and looked rather like a blend of Santa Claus and Superman. This may have symbolized a future post-mortem meeting with some superhuman power.
- I dreamed I was in front of a white hill, facing a white military tank that was trying to kill me. I hurried to get to the other side of the hill, thinking that if I got over to its other side, I would be safe. The attack by the white tank may have symbolized bodily death, and getting to the Other Side of the hill may have symbolized some post-mortem immortality in which one is safe from death. In the next part of the dream I could see myself at a distance of about thirty meters, and thought, "That's me." This part may have symbolized an out-of-body experience, such as often occurs during near-death experiences, when someone reports seeing his body from afar (see [here](#) and [here](#) for examples).

•I dreamed I saw some tall apartment building, and somehow had the idea that some great miracle or supernatural wonder could be seen somewhere on its upper floors. Curious, I took the building's elevator to an upper floor. I had a feeling of regret that I had not brought my camera. I then saw some figure who seemed to be an authority figure, and asked what the admission fee was to see the great wonder. He mentioned a small fee. I think it may have been about 3 dollars and 20 cents. I may have given him four dollars and told him to keep the change. The rising up to see some great supernatural wonder may have represented an ascent to some afterlife realm. The admission fee may have been a hint as to when such a thing will happen for me. But if it was a clue, it was an ambiguous one. A fee of about \$3.20 could mean about March 20 (3/20), or it could mean 320 days or 320 weeks.

•I dreamed some family had a plan similar to a plan being currently put in effect by my own family, but the plan was upset when one of the family members had to take a job in a distant location. The distant location may represent some afterlife realm. The "take a new job" or "assume a new role" motif is one that has often occurred recently in my dreams. Rather than being some place of endless idle leisure, life after death may include some type of work, job or role.

•Weeks ago in this post I wrote of "countless dreams" I have had of being on a bus. On March 4, 2022 I had basically the same dream twice in one night. In both dreams I was in a bus heading for a school. The school may represent some afterlife realm where I will learn great truths. In the first dream the bus driver was Al Gore. The first Google result I get when searching for the definition of "gore" is "blood that has been shed, especially as a result of violence." But Merriam-Webster gives us this as one of its definitions of gore: "blood, especially clotted blood." This dream might signify that I will be killed or that I will die from some blood clot such as an embolism. In the second dream (occurring on the same night) I was in a bus driven by a big black bus driver. Some riders exited from the bus, and then I got the sense that my destination (a school) was right down the road. The bus driver said, "Don't worry, Mark, your stop is next." This could indicate I will soon die. On the same night, most improbably, I dreamed I went to give something to Dag Hammarskjöld (the second Secretary General of the UN, who died suddenly in 1961). Going towards a deceased person may have hinted at life after death.

•I dreamed that I met with my deceased mother and deceased father in a park. Some voice said, "He's very successful, he's the godfather," or maybe it was, "He's very successful, he's the God Father," a reference to a divine reality you might encounter when meeting your deceased parents.

- I dreamed that I was in some apartment building, and walked up the stairs a few floors, discovering some huge swimming pool with many people happily swimming. This dream may have symbolized an ascent to some heavenly realm of great bliss.
- I dreamed that I found myself on the top of some tall tower, looking down on some very beautiful view, which included Caribbean-type beaches. In the dream I knew that I had somehow arrived at some distant land, but I thought to myself that I had no idea how I had got to such a place. I seemed to have some special type of vision, allowing my eyes to zoom in like a telescope. The dream may have symbolized a person suddenly finding himself in some beautiful heaven, without any idea of how he got to such a place.
- Dreaming what some writer could flesh out into an interesting story, I dreamed that I had a full-length mirror in which I saw the image of my deceased mother. I urged one of my brothers to come over and look into the mirror, saying something like, "Talk to Mom; it's probably the last chance you'll have." The dream presupposed life after death.
- I dreamed I was at an amusement park where there were two big ships near each other, both looking like World War II destroyers with big guns. The ships looked like they were firing shells at each other. I could see what looked like smoke and fire and detonating shells arriving at both of the ships. But the clear idea was that it was all just illusory stagecraft and make believe, and that no one was really dying. It was just some "mock terror" thing like the Twilight Zone Tower of Terror ride in some Disney amusement parks. With its theme of make-believe death, the dream may have symbolized the idea that death is just an illusion, because of life after death.
- I dreamed that I was working in a big office tower, and I had an appointment to meet the leader of the big corporation I worked for, up at the top of the tower. This may have been a metaphor for meeting God or some other lofty spiritual figure after my death.
- I dreamed that some person had his or her heart stopped for quite a while at a hospital, and that my mother revived the person using shock paddles. In the dream I was saying that this incident was so remarkable I was going to notify the Boston Globe about the event. If we consider the long heart stoppage as a kind of death, this can be considered a reference to a kind of "life after death."
- I dreamed that Frank Sinatra had given me some paper on which I was supposed to write a speech introducing some social event. I promised Sinatra that I would write the speech and return the paper to him. Since Sinatra is deceased, this "promise to meet Frank Sinatra" can be considered a reference to life after death.

- I dreamed that was someone was saying that on Saturday an island would experience a type of storm that carries people away, lifting them up into the sky. This may have been a reference to life after death.
- I dreamed that I was filling out a form reporting that my cell phone had suddenly stopped working. In the form I requested a new model to replace the one that had broken down. The "new model to replace the old one that stopped working" may symbolize life after death.
- I had a dream showing a US football scene that consisted of nothing but a football flying out of an end zone. This may symbolize life after death, in which the soul may rise up and fly out of a body which has reached an "end zone" of death.
- I had a strange dream in which a helicopter approached the top of a tall residential tower, and then crashed through the glass to enter inside. In the dream there was the clear idea that the area behind the glass was the home of the person flying the helicopter. It was a dream with a theme of an ascent to a lofty destination and then a journey to the Other Side of the glass. The dream may have symbolized some ascent to some afterlife Other Side, such a place often reported by those having near-death experiences as being recognized as their "true home" or "real home."
- I had a dream of the death scene of Jean Valjean in the musical *Les Misérables*. In that scene the spirit of Fantine beckons Jean to the afterlife, singing, "Come to me where chains will never bind you, all your pain and misery behind you."
- On a night that I had only three dreams, all seeming to symbolize themes of survival after death. I dreamed my brother told me the library called to tell me my "Beetle Juice" book or DVD was overdue. "Beetle Juice" is a movie about a funny ghost.
- I dreamed I was in a distant land, behind a gate. I crossed over to the Other Side of the gate, after paying an admission fee of five dollars. The crossing over may have symbolized crossing over to some afterlife realm.
- I dreamed that a human form appeared "out of thin air" on the street, rather like Captain Kirk being transported onto the surface of a planet in the original *Star Trek* show. I said, "So that's how they do it." The visual reminded me of a ghost appearing "out of thin air."
- I had a dream I would soon be meeting with a woman I knew when I was very young. Because the woman is probably dead, this may have been a reference to life after death. On the same night I dreamed I was in a spaceship, with the "go to a distant world" idea also possibly suggesting a trip to some afterlife realm.
- On one day I had a dream I was being crushed by some big bulky man. In the next dream I was flying up a stairway, like Superman. The part about being crushed may have represented

death, and the flying up the stairway may have represented the ascent of the soul to a higher level of existence after death.

• I had a dream about the Kevin Costner movie "Field of Dreams," a dream with a very prominent theme of life-after-death, including the scene of deceased baseball players coming through a cornfield to play baseball.

• I had a dream of a plane spiraling out of control in a downward plunge, and a dream of a person falling from an extremely high height. About the same time in my dreaming, I was dreaming of what it would be like to survive such a disaster, by having your soul float out of your dead body.

• I had a dream of a huge field where many people were going into helicopters, with each person going into a different helicopter. The scene may represent the ascent of souls to some afterlife realm, after some event resulting in many deaths, perhaps some event like those reported in the tragic recent news from Ukraine.

• I dreamed that police were performing an *arrest*. The strangest thing about the dream was the visual perspective, which was very much a "bird's eye view" from about 40 meters above the scene. The dream may have symbolized what is often reported during near-death experiences: an out-of-body experience following a cardiac *arrest*, in which the person reports seeing his body from an angle high above his body.

• In one of very many dreams I have had with a theme of a blocked pathway, I dreamed that I was driving a motorcycle in one direction on a road, heading straight towards three black cars that were driving in the opposite direction, filling up the roadway. In the dream no harm came to me, because my motorcycle passed through the cars, very much like a ghost passing through a solid wall. The collision with the cars may have represented death, and the surprising survival in a ghost-like state may have represented the survival of an immaterial soul after death.

• I dreamed that an actor exclaimed, "Safest place in the world!" He then died. Maybe he had referred to some afterlife realm where there is no risk of death.

• I dreamed construction workers were inserting dynamite to blast open a big crack in a mountain. After the dynamite blew up, there was the idea that rocks were ejected many miles high in the sky. The construction workers ran away for a long time, running for many miles, because they were afraid that rocks blasted so high in the sky might fall down and hurt them. The big blast may represent death; the ascent high into the sky may represent the soul ascending into heaven; and the safe escape from a giant blast may represent the successful survival of the soul after death.

•I dreamed it was the last play of a football game. The quarterback threw a pass to me at about the 30-yard-line, and the idea was that this was unprecedented for me (maybe I was one of the players that don't catch passes). I crossed over to the other side of the field, running proudly for the end zone. The dream may symbolize having unprecedented triumphal experiences at the end of your earthly life, in which you cross over to the Other Side that is an afterlife.

•I dreamed that I was about a meter away from a brother of mine, on the other side of a glass barrier. My brother seemed to not notice me, although a cat next to my brother seemed alarmed by me. This may have symbolized being a spirit on the Other Side, observing a living person who can't see you. Some people think that animals can see spirits when humans do not.

•I dreamed that me and another man were being pursued by police trying to arrest us. The other pursued man escaped by jumping on a vehicle (a motorcycle, I think) and heading up a high hill. I went down a steep hill, still closely pursued by a policeman. I got very tired, and seemed to be close to being arrested. The policeman pursuing me said something about someone dying. Apparently about to be arrested, I thought something like, "At least one of us got away." The dream may represent death by cardiac arrest. The person going down the hill and arrested (or almost arrested) may represent the body, which often falls down during a cardiac arrest. The person escaping arrest by rising in altitude may represent a soul surviving a fatal cardiac arrest, and ascending to some higher realm of existence where an afterlife occurs.

•I dreamed that I was on the subway, heading for the first day of work at a new job. But I was not well-prepared, being dressed too casually. The new job may represent a new role you get in an afterlife, in a sudden transition event you may not be prepared for. The traveling through the subway tunnel reminds me of the tunnel pathway to an afterlife realm often reported in near-death experiences. On the same night I had two dreams referring to God, and a vivid dream in which I escaped from a prison, which may represent the escape of the soul from the "prison" of an earthly body.

•I had a dream in which I was thinking that there were many different types of evidence for life after death.

•I dreamed that a man was holding a rope that passed through a small hole in the ceiling no wider than the rope. The man moved up the rope and very strangely passed through the small hole no bigger than a fist, ending up on some higher level. He said, "It's very interesting up here." The paranormal passing of a body through the small hole and the arrival on an

interesting higher level may symbolize the paranormal ascent of a soul to some wondrous afterlife higher level of existence.

•In a dream that was purely auditory, without visual content, I heard a voice say, "I am your father." There was then a majestic musical chord sounding like something in a Wagnerian opera. The dream then ended as I awoke. Because my father died long ago, the dream suggests life after death.

•I dreamed that an apparition of the deceased actor Leonard Nimoy (dressed as his famous character Spock) appeared at a pond to discourage some young man from drowning himself in the pond, perhaps by flashing his "Live Long and Prosper" hand gesture.

•I dreamed I was playing hide-and-seek with my daughters. I hid behind a door, simply hiding in the space between the door and the wall. From the other side of the door, I peeked to see one of my daughters searching for me in a room. This dream of being on the other side of a door (being able to see a daughter who could not see me) may symbolize some future afterlife state in which I am on the Other Side, being able to see my family without them being able to see me.

•I had a dream which had the idea that I should try to contact my mother, but that it would be hard to reach her if I did try to contact her. Since it was never hard to reach my mother when she was alive, the dream seems to hint at life after death.

•I had a dream I was on a long journey in some kind of underworld, trying to pick up a key. The long underworld journey may represent a human lifetime on Earth, which may seem like some underworld to those in a higher heavenly realm. The key may represent passage through the door from this world to the next.

•I dreamed that there were two men facing each other, with one being chained to the other. The first man cut the chain, freeing the second man. This may have symbolized the liberation of a soul from a body at the moment of death.

•I had a "no story" dream consisting only of an image of the late actress Natalie Wood, with about ten smiles superimposed over her face, so that every position on her face had a smile in front of it. The dream may have symbolized the idea of postmortem bliss, with the deceased enjoying happiness ten times greater than we have here on Earth.

•I dreamed that I fell a distance of about 50 meters, and walked away from the fall apparently feeling just fine. The collision at the end of the fall may have symbolized death, and the survival may have symbolized life after death.

•I dreamed that I was on a bus heading to some library, with the idea that I had once lived next to the library. The ride may represent a return to some heavenly place of great

knowledge where I had existed before an earthly life (the idea of pre-existence). On the same day I dreamed of a baseball batter hitting a homer and rounding the bases, with clear imagery of the discarding of the bat. The trip ending up at home plate may represent the same idea of pre-existence (return to a heavenly home where you once existed), and the discarding of the bat may represent a discarding of a human body at death by a soul that no longer needs it.

•I dreamed I came to some office where someone said that the last time I was at the office I had dropped on the floor many pages of information and some cash, and that such things had been saved for me, so that I could receive them when I returned. The dream may symbolize the idea that upon leaving some heavenly pre-existence to come and be born on Earth, a person may lose memories of such a pre-existence, which are then restored when the person returns to such a heaven after dying.

•I dreamed I was hiding in the woods as some of the Bad Guys passed by. Then I remembered a place I had once lived, some magnificent building where I had seemingly enjoyed perfect happiness and safety. I had the idea that I must go back to that place, and beg the current owners to let me live there again, so I could again enjoy such happiness and safety. The part about the woods may have symbolized the danger of earthly living. The magnificent previous home may have symbolized some heavenly realm where each of us enjoyed a pre-existence of perfect happiness and safety before coming to live on this planet, a realm to which we will all one day return. On the same night I had another dream involving using the subway to go back home, after watching an arrest. The arrest may have symbolized cardiac arrest, and the tunnel of the subway reminds me of the tunnel reported in near-death experiences, in which people often report finding themselves (after traveling through a tunnel) in some heavenly realm they identify as their "real home."

•I dreamed that I was talking over the phone to my father about a problem of mine. Because the problem only arose many years after my father died, the dream hints at life after death.

•I dreamed that I crossed over to the other side of a little stream, to reach a tall building. In the tall building I came to elevators. Near the elevators were trash cans. I threw away into the trash cans something I was carrying. Crossing over the stream may have represented crossing over to the Other Side of an afterlife. The elevators may have represented a pathway to some higher realm of existence. The discarding of what I was carrying may have represented the discarding of a body that occurs before a soul rises up to some higher realm of an afterlife. The little stream was about the easiest stream to cross that you can imagine: many meters long, but only about an arm's length wide, and only about six inches deep, and with stepping stones. A stream so easy to cross may have symbolized the idea that dying is easy or painless (or that it will be for me).

• I dreamed that I saw across the street some bins offering free books. I crossed to the other side of the street to examine the books, and found many beautiful old books, some containing art work. The dream may have symbolized the idea that great knowledge and beauty can be found on the Other Side of an afterlife.

• On the same night that I had another dream with a "going home to see your relatives" theme, I had a second dream with a "coming home" theme possibly relevant to life after death. In the second dream a baseball runner slid into home plate, but the umpire made the wrong call about whether the person was safe. This may have symbolized a human error in which we misjudge whether a person who dies is safe, failing to see that the person has "come home" to some afterlife realm that is safer than this planet.

• I dreamed that I was trying to close programs on my computer, and that each time I closed a program, another program popped up. The "death" of each program was followed immediately by an "afterlife" in which another program popped up on my computer screen. The dream seemed to symbolize life after death.

• I dreamed that I was being driven in a car on a long journey to some very fun place where the late actor Dudley Moore was. Since Moore died in 2002, this dream may have symbolized a journey to an afterlife state. On the same night I dreamed I was shooting at night intruders who came through the window, but that none of them seemed to be affected by the gunfire, as if they were ghosts.

• I had a dream that consisted only of an image of the late evangelist Billy Graham posing with the cast of the TV show Saturday Night Live. The "Live" part of that may mean the dream symbolizes the idea that Graham's soul still lives.

• I dreamed that a vehicle of mine traveled to another planet, resulting in gorgeous astronomical space photos. The dream may symbolize some trip to an otherworldly afterlife destination.

• I dreamed that a downstairs bathroom in my house was not functioning because of a clog or blockage, and there was the definite idea of "so you have to go upstairs" because of this blockage. The plumbing blockage may represent a fatal cardiovascular event such as an artery blockage, and the going upstairs because of this may symbolize going to some spiritually higher afterlife realm as a result of such a fatal blockage.

• I dreamed that I was adrift at sea atop what seemed to be junk or some naval wreckage, something not seaworthy. There was a storm, and I was in great danger of drowning. But suddenly a motorcycle appeared, driving on the ocean surface. A rope was attached between the wreckage I was clinging to and the motorcycle, and the motorcycle towed me to the safety

of some shore, like a tow-truck pulling a car. At the shore there was a cheering crowd that welcomed me. The dream seems to symbolize some supernatural survival of death. The motorcycle driving on the surface of the ocean represents some method of survival defying all human expectations. The crowd cheering the arrival of a survivor is an element that not rarely occurs in deathbed visions and near-death experiences.

•I dreamed that a man and a woman were singing in a moving subway. They were singing "Somewhere," a song from *West Side Story* which depicts some peaceful place with a "new way of living." The main line that was sung was, "Hold my hand and we're almost there." The dream may refer to some idyllic afterlife realm reached by traveling through a tunnel. Those who have near death experiences often report reaching some otherworldly realm after traveling through a tunnel.

•I had a dream that I was at some machine allowing me to check how many college credits I had earned. The machine told me I had 140 credits, 20 more than needed for graduation. The idea was that I would soon be graduating. Some regard Earth as a kind of school for the spirit. a "University Earth." The dream may have symbolized an upcoming transition to an afterlife realm beyond this "University Earth."

•I had a dream that someone got in a big truck behind a gate, and drove it so that the truck went smashing through the gate. The truck came to the other side of the gate and the other side of a street, where someone yelled for the police to arrest the driver. The mention of arrest in the dream may symbolize cardiac arrest, and the crossing over to the other side may symbolize crossing over to the Other Side that is an afterlife realm.

•I dreamed that I was in a cab that came to Central Park in New York City at night. I had a bag containing a warm blanket, a sweater and some other clothes. It was snowing, and I told the cab driver to drop me off here in the park. The idea was that I had to spend the night in the park. With a theme of being dropped off and lying in a cold state, the dream may symbolize someone's cold dead body being dropped off at a funeral home or morgue. The element of the blanket and clothes (suggesting survival through the cold night) may symbolize survival of a soul after the coldness of bodily death.

•Having another of countless dreams I have had with a "crossing over to the other side" motif, I dreamed I was impatiently waiting to cross to the other side of a street, being blocked by cars that were passing by very rapidly. I was waiting for a street light to change. The "other side" may represent the Other Side (an afterlife).

•I dreamed I was watching some movie depicting Jesus, but showing some scene that is not in the Bible. In the scene Jesus (not on any cross) was talking to someone who had helped cause his death, probably either Judas or the Roman who nailed him to the cross. But there

was a strong feeling of peaceful forgiveness. Seeming to depict Jesus (and perhaps someone else) surviving after death, the dream counts as a mention of life after death.

•I had a dream I was at my home, looking at an open trash can that had at its top a discarded envelope. The envelope was for a letter that I had sent to England, and which had been returned to me unopened. Only the envelope was in the trash, not the letter. The discarded envelope seems to symbolize the idea that when we die we discard a body that is a mere envelope for the soul. The round trip of the letter (going on a long journey and returning back to its home and source of origin) may symbolize the idea that after death a soul returns to its heavenly source, possibly (according to the idea of the soul's pre-existence) a place where it lived before (its real home).

•I dreamed that I was driving a car very slowly along a road, as many people in front of my car crossed over to the other side of the road, moving from the left of the road to the right of the road. It was another repetition of the "crossing over to the other side" motif that may symbolize transition to the Other Side (an afterlife realm).

•I dreamed that a group of about 10 humans were meeting for the first time a group of about 10 extraterrestrials. In the dream the meeting occurred in a graveyard. The humans threw pebbles at the extraterrestrials, who crouched down and hid behind tombstones to protect themselves from being hit by the pebbles. The extraterrestrials then mimicked this action, throwing pebbles at the humans, who all crouched down behind tombstones to protect themselves. The crouching down of each person behind a tombstone may have symbolized bodily death, in which a body is behind a tombstone (from the perspective of someone looking in one direction). The rising up of each body (unharmed) from such a crouched position may have symbolized the survival of the soul after death and its rising up to a heavenly state.

•In another dream involving a tombstone (occurring on the same night as the dream above), I dreamed a tombstone shook mysteriously and then fell. The dream suggests an idea that the person mentioned on the tombstone isn't really dead.

•I dreamed a father at the top of some outdoor steps looked around for his son, and was upset because he could not find him among the many people on the steps. The father seemed to be thinking, "I've lost my son!" The father walked away. But then the unharmed son walked up the steps. The father had erred in thinking his son was lost. The sadness of the father may have symbolized a parent's sadness after the death of a child. The son walking unharmed up the steps may have symbolized survival of the soul after bodily death, and an ascent to some spiritually higher heavenly realm.

•On the same night I dreamed I was having a phone conversation with my late father, I dreamed I was riding in a cab. Looking out the cab's window, I saw two death symbols: a

large crashing jet and a tall building collapsing. Then I yelled at the driver, telling him he was driving on the wrong side of the road. The cab crossed over to the other side of the road. After the journey ended, a dog and a woman ran to greet me, as if I had arrived back home. Again we have a "crossing over to the Other Side" motif along with other motifs that may suggest life after death.

• I dreamed I was at a port leaving to go on a sea voyage. The weather was very bad, and there was the idea that I would have some turbulent, scary traveling in rough waters, but would eventually arrive at my destination happily. The scary sea turbulence may have represented the suffering before death, and the happy arrival at my destination may have symbolized arrival in an afterlife realm.

Besides these there have been quite a few other dreams with a "going home" theme that may symbolize a return to some afterlife state of existence that souls may possibly inhabit before going to our planet.

### **References to the Deceased**

Many of my dreams since mid-November 2020 have referred to deceased persons or deceased animals, who I have either directly seen in my dreams or heard mentioned. These include the following:

- 70 dreams involving my late mother.
- 69 dreams involving my late father.
- 22 dreams involving my late sister, the first-born of my siblings.
- 8 dreams (after her death) of another late sister, the last-born of my siblings.
- Three dreams involving one of my late grandmothers.
- Three dreams involving my late grandfather on my mother's side.
- One dream involving a late grandfather mentioned only as "Grandpa."
- A dream involving my late sister-in-law, who lived outside of the US.
- A dream involving a late relative named Ursula.
- A dream involving a late aunt of mine.
- Many dreams in which I saw pets I had previously had, who died (with me sometimes stroking such pets).
- A dream in which I heard the late Karen Carpenter [singing](#) "For All We Know."
- A dream in which I saw the late actor Richard Burton.
- A dream involving the late actress Elizabeth Taylor.
- A dream involving the late actor Jack Larson.
- A dream involving the late singer and composer John Denver.

- Two dreams involving the late actor Burt Reynolds.
- A dream involving the late German poet Hans Sachs.
- A dream involving the late architect Frank Lloyd Wright.
- A dream involving the late actor George Peppard.
- Two dreams involving the late actress Lucille Ball (in one I could see her very vividly, almost like she was standing in front of me).
- A dream involving the late actor George Kennedy.
- A dream involving the late US president George Washington.
- A dream involving the late singer/actor Bing Crosby.
- A dream involving the late composer and lyricist Stephen Sondheim.
- A dream involving the late Icelandic medium Indridi Indridason.
- A dream involving the late singer Peggy Lee.
- A dream involving the late actor James Coburn.
- A dream involving the late composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.
- A dream involving the late composer Ludwig van Beethoven.
- Four dreams involving the late singer and actor Mario Lanza.
- One dream involving the late labor organizer Cesar Chavez.
- Two dreams involving the late US president Richard Nixon.
- One dream involving the late senator and vice-president Hubert Humphrey.
- Two dreams involving the late US senator George McGovern.
- A dream involving the late US senator John McCain.
- A dream involving the late actor James Mason.
- Two dreams involving the late singer and actress Doris Day.
- A dream involving the late actor and director Jerry Lewis.
- Two dreams referring to the late composer Richard Wagner.
- A dream involving the late composer Peter Tchaikovsky.
- Six dreams involving the late president Ronald Reagan.
- Two dreams involving a famous political leader I won't mention.
- Four dreams involving the late actor Peter Falk.
- Four dreams involving the late talk show host Johnny Carson.
- Five dreams involving the late actor Leonard Nimoy.
- A dream involving the late actor Laurence Olivier.

- A dream involving the late actor Michael Landon.
- Two dreams involving the late singer Perry Como.
- A dream involving the late actor Richard Deacon.
- A dream involving the late Prince Phillip, the Duke of Edinburgh.
- A dream involving the late actor/dancer Fred Astaire.
- A dream involving the late Princess Diana.
- Three dreams involving the late US president Lyndon Johnson, and one dream involving his late wife.
- Two dreams involving the late US senator Robert Kennedy.
- A dream involving the late US senator Edward Kennedy.
- Two dreams involving the late opera singer Luciano Pavoratti.
- Two dreams involving the late actor John Wayne.
- A dream mentioning a very famous historical figure born in ancient times.
- Four dreams involving the late actor Gregory Peck.
- A dream involving the late actor Dudley Moore.
- A dream involving the late evangelist Billy Graham.
- Three dreams involving the late Albert Einstein.
- A dream involving the late Neil Armstrong.
- Two dreams involving the late William Shakespeare.
- Nine dreams involving the late US president John Kennedy.
- A dream involving the late Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis.
- A dream involving the Beatles (two of whom are deceased).
- Three dreams involving the late actor Marlon Brando.
- A dream involving the later actor Charlton Heston.
- A dream involving the late US president Gerald Ford.
- Three dreams involving the late composer and singer John Lennon.
- A dream involving the late director and actor Charlie Chaplin.
- A dream referring to the late physicist Isaac Newton.
- A dream referring to the deceased founders of a large company.
- A dream referring to the late philosopher Rousseau.
- A dream involving the late scientist and writer Benjamin Franklin.
- A dream involving the late scientist Antoine Lavoisier.

- Two dreams referring to the late biologist Darwin.
- A dream involving the late actor/celebrity Orson Bean.
- A dream involving the late actor John Garfield.
- A dream involving the late actor Robert Mitchum.
- Four dreams involving the late opera singer Franco Corelli.
- A dream involving the late actor Jimmy Cagney.
- Two dreams involving the late US president Jimmy Carter.
- A dream involving the late psychologist and ESP researcher Joseph Rhine.
- Two dreams involving the late science fiction writer and futurist Arthur C. Clarke.
- A dream involving the late commentator Rush Limbaugh.
- A dream referring to a biographer of English poets, probably a reference to the late biographer Samuel Johnson.
- A dream involving the late Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev.
- A dream involving the late medium Margaret Fox.
- Two dreams involving the late film director Stanley Kubrick.
- A dream that was probably a reference to the late novelist Victor Hugo (a dream in which some man gave me Hugo's novel *Les Misérables*).
- A dream involving the late actress Diahann Carroll.
- Two dreams involving the late actress Natalie Wood.
- A dream involving the late talk show host Tom Snyder.
- A dream involving the late actor Walter Pidgeon.
- A dream involving the late actress Betty White.
- A dream involving the late US Supreme Court judge Ruth Ginsburg.
- Two dreams involving the late actor Jim Garner.
- A dream involving the late actor Fernand Gravey, mirroring a [scene](#) in a 1938 movie in which Gravey was humming a Johann Strauss melody (interestingly, I could not recall the melody the morning after having the dream, but it played exactly right in my dream).
- A dream involving the late actor Christopher Reeve.
- A dream referring to the late singer/actor Elvis Presley.
- A dream involving the late philosopher John Stuart Mill.
- Three dreams involving the late actor Cary Grant.
- A dream involving the late actor Eddie Albert.
- Four dreams involving the late singer/actor Frank Sinatra.

- Two dreams involving the late singer/actor Dean Martin.
- A dream involving the later singer Bobby Darin.
- Two dream involving the late TV and movie executive Carl Reiner.
- A vivid dream involving the late actress Audrey Hepburn.
- A dream involving the late composer/conductor Leonard Bernstein.
- Three dreams involving the late US president Thomas Jefferson.
- A dream involving the late actor Leslie Nielsen.
- Two dreams involving the late actor James Gandolfini.
- A dream involving the late singer Sammy Davis Jr.
- A dream involving the late singer Peggy Lee.
- Two dreams involving the later actor Robin Williams.
- A dream involving the late actor Martin Milner.
- A dream involving the late TV host Allen Ludden.
- A dream involving the late evangelist Oral Roberts.
- A dream involving the late US senator John Warner.
- A dream involving the late actor William Frawley.
- A dream involving the late US general Douglas MacArther.
- A dream involving the late German theologian Dietrich Bonhoeffer.
- A dream involving the late poet P. S. Shelley.
- A dream involving the late actress Valerie Harper (one in which I improbably remembered that she had been fired, a recollection matching her firing from a TV role in 1987).
- A dream of the scene in the movie *Patton* in which General George Patton (played by George C. Scott) was hearing about the famous "Nuts!" reply of General Anthony McAuliffe (the dream therefore managed to refer to three deceased people, Patton, Scott and McAuliffe).
- Two other dreams involving Patton, one mentioning the late actors Lee Marvin and Robert Ryan.
- A dream that may have mentioned the ancient Greek urban planner Hippodamus, a name I had never heard mentioned before the night of the dream (I wrote down the name "Hippodemus" after having the dream).
- Three dreams involving the late US president Dwight Eisenhower. (In the last dream Eisenhower was saying that people from Texas could be good presidents. I was not aware when having the dream that Eisenhower was born in Texas.)
- A dream involving the late US president George H. W. Bush.

- A dream involving the late character actress Alice Ghostley (oddly, I had never learned her name prior to having the dream).
- Two dreams involving Jesus.
- A dream involving the late actress Charlotte Rae.
- A dream involving the late United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld.
- A dream on February 20, 2021 involving the late actor Edd Byrnes.

The appearance of [Edd Byrnes](#) in my dream of February 20, 2021 is very astonishing. Byrnes became famous in the late 1950's and early 1960's as an actor in a TV show called *77 Sunset Strip*. He played a character who was called Kookie. After 1964 Byrnes had very little fame in the US on the stage or screen, and the US public pretty much forgot about him (although he had some success in acting in Europe). He appeared briefly in the movie *Grease* in 1978, and got occasional roles here and there, without ever getting another US TV series to star in. There is no reason why I should have remembered Edd Byrnes or the role of Kookie that was his main role. I remember my family would occasionally watch *77 Sunset Strip*, but it was always more than 50 years ago. Except for seeing Byrnes briefly in the 1978 movie *Grease*, in which I did not recognize him, I cannot recall seeing Byrnes in any role in the past 55 years, nor can I recall reading a single word about him during those 55 years (prior to my dream of him), nor can I recall seeing him on TV during that time, nor can I recall ever thinking about him during the 55 years prior to having a dream of him. I can't recall a single word spoken on *77 Sunset Strip*, or any of the show's plots, and I can't recall a single word Edd Byrnes ever said or wrote. If you had asked me "who is Edd Byrnes" the day before my dream of him, I would have said that I don't know. But somehow on February 20 I wrote in the middle of the night that I had a dream about him. I wrote down his name exactly like this: Eddie "Cookie" Byrnes, remembering not just his name but his main role, with the very minor shortfall of using "Cookie" instead of "Kookie."

Byrnes died in 2020. In my dream he was on a high-speed boat, looking young and handsome, as he did back in his glory days. Was that boat heading across a river, going to its Other Side?

### **Telepathy and Psi References**

Another novel change in my dreams since mid-November 2020 has been references to telepathy and clairvoyance.

- In one dream I was being tested for telepathy.
- In another dream I suggested telepathy as an explanation for something.
- In another dream that was vivid and realistic, I was lecturing a group of students on the topic of clairvoyance, speaking just as I would if I actually were doing such a thing, and noting that the published evidence for clairvoyance goes back more than 200 years.
- I dreamed my mother was asking me to say something to my brother about clairvoyance.
- In a dream on March 3, there was a very vivid presentation of the idea of telepathy. In the dream I was struck by the idea that I could read a young lady's thoughts. So while staring at

the woman face-to-face I merely thought to myself (in the dream) something like, "I am thinking of the number 14 -- can you guess it?" Then, staring at me intensely without speaking, the woman thought, "Yes, I got the number -- it's 14."

- I dreamed I was writing a history of paranormal phenomena, which included a discussion of early evidence for clairvoyance.
- I had a dream about some strange change in a house I once lived in. Then in another dream the same change was being discussed, and I was saying, "I dreamed this before seeing it -- it must be clairvoyance."
- I dreamed I was doing an ESP test with my wife.
- I dreamed that I had a dream of a man having a finger cut. The man then came in and said that while I was sleeping his finger had been cut. In my dream I was impressed by this, regarding it as evidence for something like ESP.
- I dreamed I had thought of the topic of cosmology, and then shortly thereafter heard some stranger use the rarely-used word "cosmology." I told the stranger that her reference to cosmology occurred because of ESP between me and her.
- In a dream I heard the words "They have an uncanny sixth sense -- totally uncanny."
- I dreamed about ESP experiments in Russia, and later dreamed about some secret lab in the USA doing ESP experiments.
- I dreamed I was telling someone that the experiments of Joseph Rhine were convincing evidence for ESP.

If dreams are sometimes telepathically influenced by mysterious parties, we can imagine such parties telepathically suggesting the very idea of telepathy, as a kind of hint as to the source of such dreams.

## **Dream Length and Detail**

I do not usually have dreams of very great length, although on one night I noticed a dream of rather astonishing length and detail, one reported [here](#).

## **Lack of Lucid Dreams**

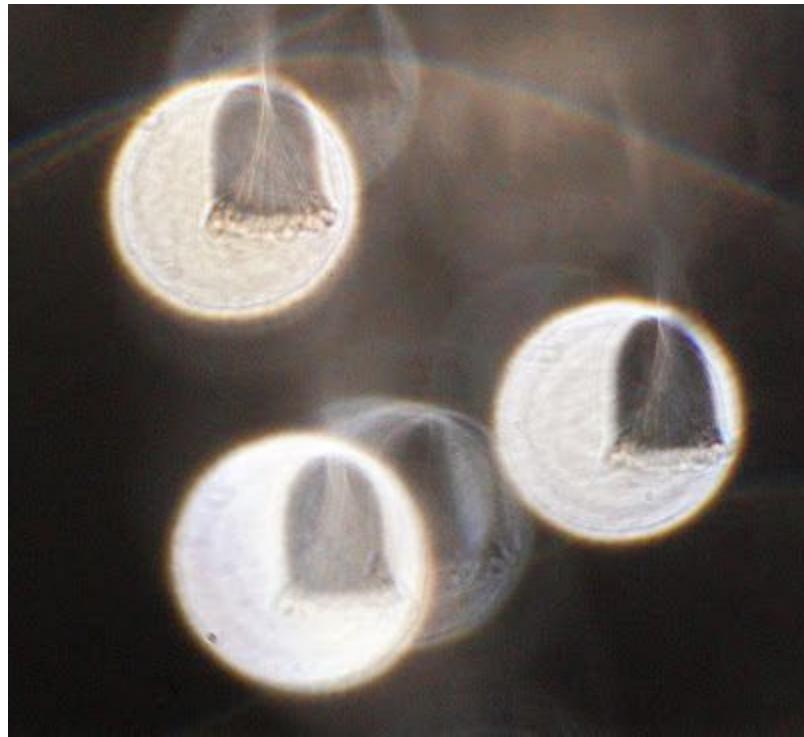
The phrase "lucid dream" is used to describe a dream in which the dreamer is aware that he is dreaming. Some people report being able to repeatedly have lucid dreams in which they have some control over the content of their dreams. I have only been aware that I was dreaming a very small number of times (fewer than 10), and whenever I had such a dream the content never resembled any of the content described here. In none of the dreams listed here was I aware that I was dreaming. You cannot explain any of the dreams mentioned in this post as some dream I had because I willed when I was dreaming to have some particular type of dream. In this post I have described some of the dreams as vivid, but a merely vivid

dream should not be confused with a lucid dream (in which the dreamer is aware he is dreaming while dreaming).

### Visual Death Symbols

Possibly related to these dreams is the fact that in August and September of 2021 I got many occurrences of a tombstone pattern while photographing ordinary drops of pure, clean water falling. On one day in September, 2021 (as shown [here](#)) I got a total of 5000+ instances of a tombstone pattern, which occurred in most of 2500+ photos I took of falling water drops. On [another day](#) I got many instances of a tombstone pattern, a pattern that eerily faded away over the course of quite a few photos. Below are examples from the September day I mentioned:





The events discussed [here](#) and [here](#) seem hard to explain except with the hypothesis of some mysterious force pulling out the cord of an alarm clock from the electrical socket, and then plugging the cord back in. The pulling out of the cord may have symbolized death, and the plugging back in may have symbolized life after death.

### Related Accounts

[Chapter VII](#) of Horace G. Hutchinson's *Dreams and Their Meanings* is entitled "Premonitory Dreams," and gives some remarkable accounts of people who seemed to have dreams that foretold the future. Chapter V of Frederick George Lee's book *The Other World, or Glimpses of the Supernatural* (which can be read [here](#)) narrates many examples of people who had dreams that seemed to foretell a death. Larry Dossey's book *The Science of Premonitions* gives similar accounts. The book *Dead and Gone* by James S. Pollock (which you can read [here](#)) gives cases of dreams and signs that seemed to foreshadow death. In the posts [here](#) and [here](#) and [here](#) and [here](#) and [here](#) there are additional cases of people who seemed to get explicit dream warnings of how they or others would die or when they or others would die. A theory of warning dreams in the last year of life is presented [here](#)